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A HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR ALL HANDS



TWO DAYS OF TIME AND TALENT—That's what these eleven artists gave Oak Knoll for Christmas. Jeannie Wilson's twelfth annual "Operation Art for the Armed Forces," included, from left, front: Johnny Johnson, Mary Foley Benson, Jeannie, Mary Benz, and Lois Black Hill; second row: Sam Cornell, Lee Mishken, Bill Mahood, Jay Rothman, Earl Moran, and Jack Griner.

Reviewing Knoll's 1962 Highlights

1962 is now history. During the coming year we'll be meeting new friends, earning promotions, traveling, entertaining or perhaps returning to civilian life. THE OAK LEAF—as in the past 20 years—will continue to record the activities of Knoll staffers and patients.

Here are a few of the stories, large and small, that made headlines in the OAK LEAF in 1962:

JANUARY—Little Miss Fay Lufkin, daughter of LT and Mrs. C. D. Lufkin, first baby of the year . . . CDR Huber retires after 42 years . . . JFK OKs promotion for 30 Knoll officers . . . Admiral Zermeno, Mexico SecNav, tours Knoll . . . CDR Ted Smyer, saved after air crash at sea, turns over VA-216 command while on 69A . . . Burnett Marlin, Stan Johnson, Ed Harvey don CPO caps. EMs honored by City of Oakland at Military Ball at Leamington Hotel. Nurses test MK V gas masks (with tears) . . . Ski Club active . . . Bowlers, Hoopsters in 1st place.

FEBRUARY — SG cites HMC Bruce Tillman for care of civilian accident victim . . . Bowling pro Duke McGrew shows Knollites how . . . Captain Christy, BuMed NP Chief, visits Knoll . . . Dr. Koster returns to Peru after year's observership in Dental Service . . . CDR
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Hollywood Artists Paint, Sketch Knoll Patients

Eleven Hollywood artists painted, sketched, and cartooned their way through the wards of Oak Knoll on 18 and 19 December, leaving in their wake innumerable works of art and as many happy memories.

It was the twelfth year in a row that Jeannie Wilson has brought to Oak Knoll her well-known "Operation Art for the Armed Forces"—a project she organized during the Korean war to boost morale of servicemen in hospitals and on the battlefield.

Although personnel of the "operation" changes from year to year, a few "old faithfuls" are always included in the group. Among them was Mary Foley Benson, scientific illustrator, who has worked for the Smithsonian Institute and the Bureau of Entomology in Washington, D.C., and for Encyclopedia Britannica.

Johnny Johnson, portrait artist and retired background man for MGM's Tom and Jerry cartoons, and Bill Mahood, Disney cartoonist and portrait artist, as far as the OAK LEAF can determine, have never missed an Oak Knoll "operation." Each turned out his share of portraits again this year.

Then there was Earl Moran, frequently referred to as the greatest pastel portrait painter in the United
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80 YEARS OLD

Civilians Planning Gala Anniversary Celebration

A Civil Service Anniversary Party—first celebration of its kind ever held at Oak Knoll—has been approved by the command, and plans are well under way, according to Aubrey Scheid, who has been elected chairman of a huge steering committee composed of civilian workers from throughout the compound.

The date is Saturday, 16 February. The hours 1000 to 1600. The place—the hospital athletic field and picnic area. (The 80th Anniversary of the founding of Civil Service is 16 January, but the later date was chosen because of the uncertainty of January weather.)

The big party, primarily for civilian staff members and their families, will nevertheless be open to any member of the staff who wishes to pay the admission fee, which is yet to be determined. There will be a special rate for children.

The program for the day is still in the formative stage, but sure to be included are contests, games, music, food, and most important of all—the opportunity to become acquainted with one's fellow worker.

Fun and friendship through Civil Service is the theme!

Serving as co-chairman with Mr. Scheid is Charles Asbelle, who will coordinate the party plans, with the assistance of Esther Arp.

Heading the various committees,
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SANTA'S MANY HELPERS keep him informed of the good and bad children throughout the year. Five year old Michael Nall beams a broad smile after Santa assured him that he would receive an assortment of toys for Christmas. Cheryl and Clark, two and three years old respectively, await their turn to sit on Santa's lap. They're the children of HMI Richard Nall of the Chart Room. Chief Jack Timmerman, of Patient Personnel, donned the whiskers this year in the auditorium during the Staff Children's Christmas Party.

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CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Morning Worship.....1030
Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses.....0830 1215
Daily Mass.....1200 in small chapel
Confessions.....Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
Novena.....Tuesday after 1200 Mass
Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.

Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

Navy News Roundup

HIKE IN PAY IS TOP PRIORITY—Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara has assigned "the highest priority" to a military pay increase, and the Pentagon has established a special task force to guide its pay bill over the remaining Administration and Congressional hurdles. Pentagon legal experts have already begun drafting the bill which is expected to bring military people a pay raise next year. Although the basic pay rates are still under discussion, agreement between all the parties concerned appears to have been reached with enough certainty to permit drafting of legal language necessary for some of the fringe benefit sections of the legislative proposal. . . . **MORE HOME TIME DUE SHIPS IN U.S.**—Less training by individual ships and more time in their home ports will come from a new order issued by ADM George W. Anderson. The Chief of Naval Operations has told Atlantic and Pacific Fleet commanders to cut the fleet exercises now scheduled for ships not in the 6th and 7th Fleets. He particularly wants fewer exercises which provide training only for senior officers. . . . **JFK INVITES EVERYONE TO 1964 WORLD FAIR**—The President of the United States, speaking on a cold windy day at the site of the 1964 New York's World Fair, urged people of the world to visit the fair. The President wanted all the peoples of the world to come and see the fair, he said, "and especially the U.S. exhibit in order to see what we have accomplished with our system of freedom." . . . **AN ANTARCTIC TAXI SETS NEW RECORD**—Eight miles of taxiing over the ice and snow of Antarctica—that's the record set by a Navy ski-equipped C-130 Hercules. The big plane, taking part in Deep Freeze '63 operations, was returning to McMurdo from Byrd Station but the aircraft commander found McMurdo shrouded in a whiteout, making landing impossible. The plane then headed for the Barrier Reef eight miles distant, landed and began its jolting journey across the sub-zero wastes, using navigational radar to skirt ice ridges and crevasses. . . . **PAY TOP NAVY CAREER FACTOR; MORE HOME TIME RATES SECOND**—Raising pay would be the most effective way to get more people to stay in the Navy, but giving men more time with the wife and kiddies would help a lot, too. These were the most important findings in a public opinion survey among enlisted men who are undecided about whether to ship over. Officers differed little from enlisted men in their feelings, though apparently their wives play a big role in the decision to go for a career or get out.



OAK KNOLL'S ORTHOPEDIC SERVICE is richer by one page turner thanks to the California State Representatives, Navy Mothers' Club of America. The page turner is electrically controlled by a switch placed around the patient's neck and activated by motion of his chin. Presenting the page turner last week were Mrs. Lida Jensen, State Welfare Chairman (left), and Mrs. Caroline De Martini, State Commander. LCDR Horace G. Armitage, Special Services Officer, officially accepted the gift.



ANOTHER GIFT was graciously donated to Oak Knoll by the Oakland Branch #13, Navy Mothers' Club of America. This time the gift was a high fidelity record player donated for patients' use. Presenting the gift—just in time for Christmas—were (from the left) Mrs. Ida S. Clark, branch commander; Mrs. Donna Beard, hospital welfare chairman, and Mrs. Margaret O'Hara.

Civil Service's 80th Anniversary

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to be augmented as planning progresses are: Program—Betty Winsby, Anne Flack; Publicity—Dorothy Thompson, Roberta Maloney, George Wyness; Finance—Kenneth McClay, Walter Carter; Food—Daniel Ross; Food Services—Sammy Carson; Refreshments—Bernie Garcia; Entertainment—George Manchester, Lela Mattos; Music—Barney Alameda, Lawrence Busby; Prizes, Contests, Games—LeRoy Phanor, Dorothy Thompson; Tickets—William Whittington, Claire Martini, Dorothee Prentice; General Services—Charlie Forman, Melvin Fowler; Clean-up—George Manchester; Other Matters—Terr Wright.



1963's FIRST—The twin sons of ABE2 and Mrs. James E. Rice of Alameda arrived at 0802 and 0832, 1 January, and earned the "first babies of the year" title at Oak Knoll's maternity ward. The boys weighed 5 lbs., 12 oz. and 5 lbs., 10¾ oz. and are doing nicely as was their mother, Norva. They were unnamed at press-time.

Famous Artists, TV Cartoonists, Paint Patients During Jeannie Wilson's Twelfth Annual Tour of Hospital

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States. A specialist in pin-up and calendar art, he has painted many beautiful girls, including Marilyn Monroe.

Mary Benz, Los Angeles fine artist, was back for her second visit, capturing the likenesses of a number of patients.

Newcomers this year were:

Jack Griner, head artist for "Picture Craft," whose painting-by-numbers idea swept the country a few years ago and is still a popular hobby. Mr. Griner now specializes in religious art.

Lois Black Hill, artist and artists' agent. Miss Hill brought her model along—a silver poodle, who posed obligingly and was probably the first dog ever granted permission to enter a ward.

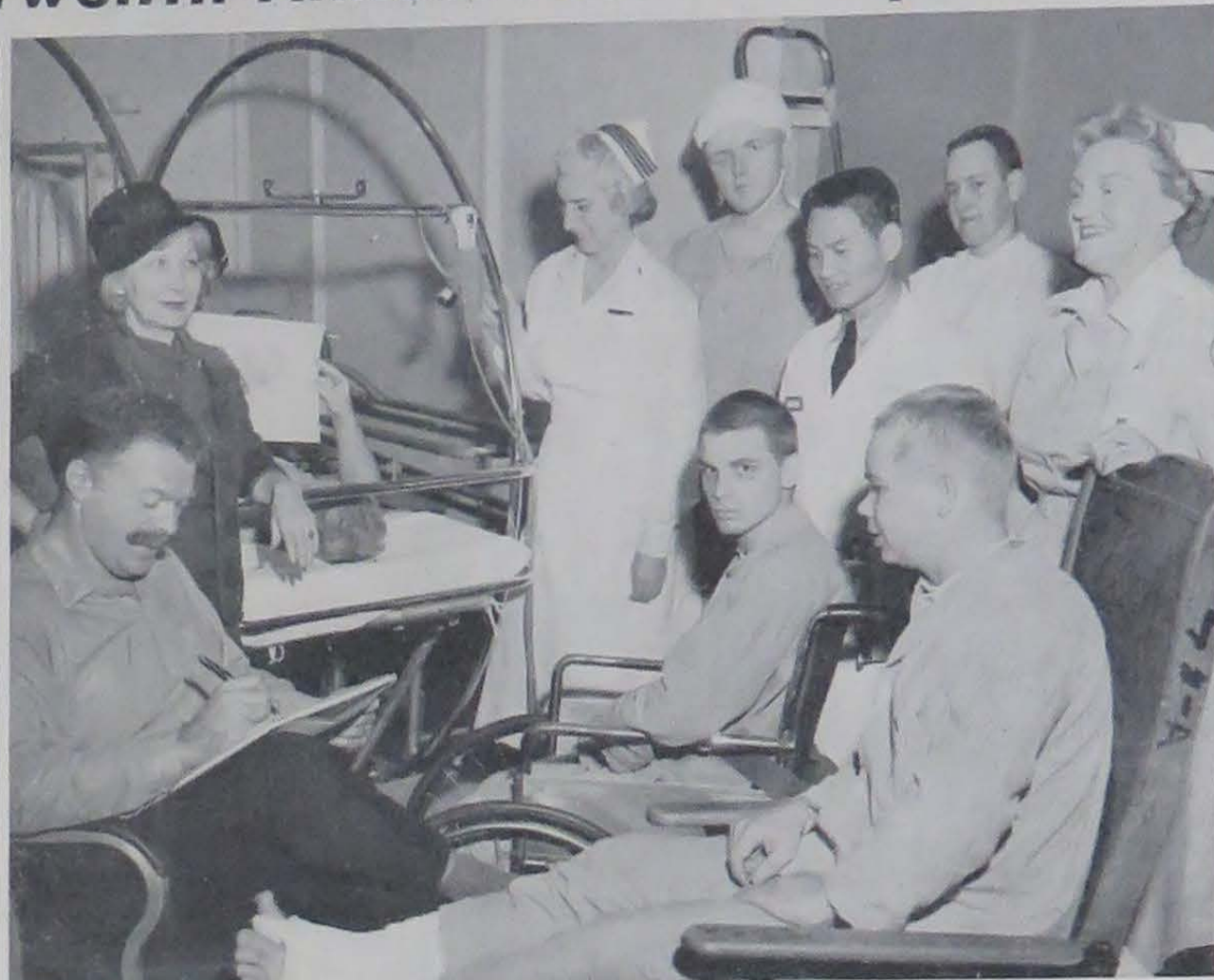
Lee Mishken, UPA artist whose cartoon of Magoo playing Scrooge was televised the night the artists were aboard. Mr. Mishken handles production and creative design for the engaging nearsighted character. Along with sketching patients, he sketched Magoo.

Jay Rothman, portrait artist and motion picture illustrator whose paintings publicized the motion picture version of "Flower Drum Song."

Sam Cornell, freelance illustrator and producer of industrial films. His space film was seen by thousands at the Seattle World's Fair, and he is working on another for the New York World's Fair.

Along with the artists, Jeannie brought hundreds of original "cells" used in cartoon animation — all beautifully mounted and matted to distribute to patients and staff.

Arrangements for the artists' visit were made by Special Services. Red Cross Gray Ladies escorted them to the wards.



LEE MISHKEN sketched patients and then he sketched Magoo squinting nearsightedly at them during his visit to Oak Knoll. Watching the artist at work when the photographer came along were Jeannie Wilson, LCDR Dorothea Tracy, PFC John Frampton (in circular electric bed), Alan Breck, ADJ2; LTJG CHANG, Pyong-yol; Carleton Kaden, HN; PFC Charles R. Ross; Johnson L. Davis, EN2; and Mrs. Geraldine Waybright, Red Cross Gray Lady escort.

Twenty Years Ago In The OAK LEAF

One of the most outstanding and enjoyed entertainment that has ever come to our hospital was the afternoon of January 4, when DOROTHY LAMOUR, that glamorous redhead of movie fame made her personal appearance at our institution.

With radiant personality, silvery-toned song, and flowering sarong she flip-flopped the hearts of hearty sailors and hard-boiled marines, and made them forget injury and illness as she appeared in the wards. In each ward she sang two songs, accompanied by a seven-piece group of Del Courtney's orchestra from the Palace Hotel.

The punch at the patient's and corpsmen's New Year's party grew stronger and stronger as the evening wore on—no doubt chemical reaction since no shipmate was reported intoxicated . . . PHELPS, Y2c, had everyone agog with his interpretation of the rumba — we hear that his muscles were pretty sore for a couple of days afterwards.

COCA COLA BOTTLES are becoming a menace. Many of them are being broken on the ramp and station streets. The way they are being handled, they are more than a nuisance. Captain Maher, Executive Officer, says that unless bottles are brought back to rack and menace is over within two weeks, all Coca Cola dispensers will be removed from the compound.

At the Movies: "Tarzan's New York Adventure" — Johnny Weissmuller, Maureen O'Sullivan; "Tortilla Flat" — Spencer Tracy, John Garfield, Hedy Lamarr.

First Girl: I do like a man with a past. A man with a past is always interesting.

Second Girl: That's true, but I want a man with a future.

Third Girl: Give me a man with a present.

O'Wives to Hear Choir from Chabot

Music by the choir from nearby Chabot College and a brief talk about the two-year old college and the opportunities it offers through its adult education program are on the agenda for the Officers' Wives' Club meeting next Wednesday.

Dr. Reed L. Buffington, president of the college, will speak, and Dr. Wallace Pefly will direct the choir.

Mrs. W. H. Strunk is program chairman, and Mrs. C. K. Holloway, Mrs. Gale Clark, and Mrs. R. A. Loeffler are in charge of the buffet luncheon arrangements. Assisting are Mesdames A. B. Scott, B. L. Rish, D. W. Robinson, Martin Magi, B. L. Aaron, D. L. Larson, C. R. Hamlin, A. M. Warner, J. M. Poynter, and R. D. Comer.

Reservations for the 12:15 luncheon at the Officers' Club must reach Mrs. Aaron by noon Monday.

"Grandma," asked the small boy "I ain't ever seen pictures of angels with whiskers. Does that mean my daddy won't be an angel? He's got whiskers."

"Maybe, darlin'," the grandma replied, "but it'll be by a close shave."



JACK GRINER, who specializes in religious art, specialized in patients during his hospital visit. Giving him their undivided attention are, from left, Louis L. Breeze, Jr., AN; Mrs. Arlene Hill, Red Cross Gray Lady; and Clifford W. Milhauser, HN; PFC Loren L. Zimmerman; and Russell L. Morrison, RDSA.

Oak Knoll's Civilian '62 Highlights

Here's what happened to Oak Knoll's trusty civilian staff in 1962.

At the beginning of the year there were 572 Civil Service employees. At the end of the year there were 548. Eighty-two were separated; 58 were employed; 43 were promoted, 9 converted to career status.

Nineteen civilians received outstanding performance ratings; 22 more earned Superior Performance awards. Four awards were given for beneficial suggestions. Fourteen disciplinary actions were necessary!

Safe driving awards were earned by 20 employees; one 40-year career service award was issued; 50 employees reached the 20-year mile-

stone and 21 were presented 10-year certificates. Thirty-four employees donated blood to the Civilian Employees' Blood Bank, and 37 pints of blood from the bank were used by employees and members of their families.

The political speaker was orating fervently before a civic group. "We need a man who will drive straight to his goal, looking neither to right nor left; one who presses forward, and neither friend nor foe can delay nor turn him from his course. All who cross his path do so at their own risk. Now where will we find such a man?"

"Driving any bus," shouted someone in the rear.

Scuttlebutt

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER: As of 21 December it's LTJG William L. Dowling, MSC, assistant to the Administrative Officer.

GULP! Everything was going nicely for HMC Jack Timmerman as he played Santa at the staff children's party—until he asked one small lad what he'd like for Christmas. Said that lad: "But, Santa, I TOLD you last week. Don't you remember?"

LOCAL ANGLE: Those who date back as far as 1955 particularly enjoyed hearing and watching the great University of Wisconsin band on television Tuesday, for there directing was Ray Dvorak. Mr. Dvorak came to Oak Knoll in '55 for fitting with a new right arm with which to wield his baton! After losing his arm as a result of a train accident five years before, the Badgers' bandmaster had worn a prosthetic arm but complained that sometimes in the middle of a lively piece, a cable would snap, and the arm would become "unstrung." "It's rather embarrassing," Mr. Dvorak told an Oak Leaf reporter at that time, "but I just move the baton to my left hand and carry on."

SCENES FROM THE PASSAGEWAY PARADE: Dr. Jewett transferring to USN . . . Patients dismantling the wards of their Christmas finery . . . People making and breaking New Year's resolutions . . . Frost on the rooftops . . . Robins eyeing the pyracantha berries . . . People using up their leave at the last minute . . . Dr. Chaiya Poolthong of the Thai Navy back from a trip to Disneyland . . . Mr. McCracken correcting last week's LEAF. "I never use mixes. For Chief James' cake, I just made the recipe nine times."

NAME OF THE WEEK: MELODY BLYTHE. The young lady, wife of a Coastguardsman, is a patient on 73B.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Chief Edward Peter Harvey, on being asked "What's New?" "Not a thing—everything's as clean as the Laundry!"

LIFE BEGAN on 21 December for Diane Jannice Conrique, 6 lb., 7 oz. daughter for Abraham Conrique, HN, Fiscal and Supply Div., and wife Rebecca . . . on 21 December for Wendelyn Marie Hicks, 8 lb., 10½ oz. daughter for George Hicks, HN, Emergency Room, and wife Diane . . . on 27 December for Barbara Jean Watten, 6 lb., ½ oz. daughter for CDR Raymond Watten, Director, CIC, and wife Jeanne . . . on 28 December for Ann Leslie Larson, 7 lb., 3½ oz. daughter for LCDR Dale Larson, Resident in General Surgery, and wife Ardis . . . on 28 December for Thomas Gregory Stanford, 7 lb. 5½ oz. son for Marion Stanford, HM1, EST School, and wife Machiko . . . on 29 December for Michael Kevin Parks, 6 lb., 3¾ oz. son for Clyde Parks, HM3, EKG Lab., and wife Patricia . . . on 29 December for Dee Lorree Henley, 6 lb., 4 oz. daughter for Thomas Henley, HN, OR, and wife Jill.

The children were in the midst of a free-for-all when father unexpectedly entered the room.

"Tommy, who started this?" he asked.

"Well," replied Tommy. "It all started when Albert hit me back."



TALENTED YOUNG ENTERTAINERS from the Los Ayers School of Dancing, San Leandro, (top) put on a gala review for the annual Staff Children's Christmas party in the auditorium just before the holidays. The youngsters sang Christmas carols, following an hour-long cartoon show. Santa then arrived (bottom) and distributed gifts to each dependent child. Special Services provided the gift-wrapped presents.



NEWLYWEDS HM3 Emma Schell of PT became the bride of PF3 Charles W. Lednick of Hunters' Point early Christmas morning in the Knoll Chapel. Chaplain H. V. Heaney performed the ceremony following midnight Mass.

"I understand you want to see me about your husband. Just what is the matter with him?" asked the psychiatrist.

"He's always washing his car," the woman pathetically replied.

"There's nothing wrong with that," said the doctor. "Lots of husbands like to wash their cars."

"In the bathtub?" queried the woman.

Federal Workers Plan Europe Tour

Want to visit eight European countries for \$100 less than the cost of a round trip flight to Rome during the same period? A Federal Employees' Grand Tour—22 days beginning 21 May—costs only \$795 including jet flight from San Francisco and return, deluxe hotels, side tours, and two meals a day except in London and Paris.

The only requirement is that you be a Federal employee in Alameda or Santa Clara Counties in a civilian, military, or retired capacity for at least six months prior to departure. Immediate family members are eligible.

Countries to be visited are England, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Italy, and France. A special tour from London through Spain and Portugal is planned for those who have already toured Italy and Germany. Or persons wishing to take advantage of the air round trip only may do so for only \$399.

A pre-tour get together for all interested persons will be held at Sabella's Capri Room, Fisherman's Wharf on Friday night, 11 January. Cocktails at 1800, dinner and travel films following.

Folders describing the tour are available at Civilian Personnel.

For reservations and/or information call or write Miss Phoebe Allen, tour chairman, 6616 Woodland Place, Oakland 11. Telephone LA 3-2200, Ext. 206 or 581 or OL 2-6634 (evenings).

The first submarine to sink an opposing ship was the H. L. Hunley, built in 1862 with the personal funds of Confederate Army Captain H. L. Hunley.



SANTA TAKES TO THE ROAD with firemen Walter Jones (left) and Tony Viada to tour the Pediatric ward and distribute presents to children hospitalized over the Christmas holidays. HMC Bill Farning, of ALD, brought smiles from children and staffers all over the hospital as he distributed candy from the fire truck. The firemen sounded the truck's bell and flashed their red light throughout the route.

USS Lexington Crew Plans June Reunion

The crew of the USS LEXINGTON, CV-2, will hold its tenth reunion at the Doric Leamington Hotel, Oakland, on 27, 28, 29, and 30 June.

Persons, including squadron personnel who served in this ship between 1927 and 1942, are invited to attend with their wives and guests.

This will be the first time the LEXINGTON reunion has been held in the Bay Area.

Further information may be obtained by writing LCDR Walter D. Reed, USN, Ret., 5608 Ocean View Drive, Oakland 18, Calif.

Friday, 4 January 1963

Santas, Gifts, Entertainers Bring Season's Greetings to Oak Knoll



CHRISTMAS AT OAK KNOLL was a merry one thanks to the generosity and hard work of the Veterans Hospitals' Christmas Committee. They provided gifts and music for every patient on the Knoll wards on Christmas morning. In the afternoon five groups of professional entertainers toured the wards to brighten the day for those unable to be at home during the holidays. Our photographer caught, top row, from the left: George Alexander singing a song for Mrs. Mary Hall, a patient on 40B, her daughter Cindy, son Pat and husband, CDR William Hall, USN (Ret.). Santa got a warm welcome from LTJG Clara Y. Schoen on 61A. Billy Grant presents a "dog" made of several balloons to IC2 Al Harris on 45A. Sec-

ond row, same order: Singer Christine Pernot toured the hospital singing many ballads in Russian, Italian, German and English. Bill Mitchell and Hank Sullivan grin after receiving gifts from Santa. Ah Hing does his flame-blowing act during a show on 79B. SN Eddie Earls was another greeted by Santa. Banjo player Dean Bachelor played many tunes on the 40's. Bob Haskell does his Chinese rings trick before the eyes of Susan Hall on 40B—and she still couldn't figure out how they were separated. George and Fabienne Alexander sang a song especially for Mrs. Elizabeth Beavers. SKC (Ret.) Otis Watson thanked Santa for his thoughtful gift on 62B.

Aliens in U.S. Must Register in January

It's January again, and if you're in this country as an alien, you are required by law to report your address to the Attorney General during the month.

This law affects both civilians and those in military uniform. Aliens temporarily absent from the U.S. during January must report their addresses within ten days of return to this country.

Reporting cards are available at any U.S. Post Office. Willful failure to submit the report may lead to serious penalties such as fine, imprisonment and/or deportation.



"ANYBODY SEEN A NEEDLE AROUND HERE—ABOUT THAT LONG?"

Fleet-wide Exams Free Pay Scale Begin 5 February For The Asking

Staff corpsmen and Waves have until 10 January to verify their eligibility for participation in the February fleet-wide examinations for advancement in rate.

Examinations will be conducted in the I & E classrooms, Bldg. 25A, according to the following schedule:

HMC	5 February
HM1	7 February
HM2	12 February
HM3	14 February

Candidates will muster according to the above dates at 0745.

The U.S. Naval Institute is offering Navymen a free pay scale calculator. With it, in a matter of minutes, you can determine the pay and special allowances of any member of the naval service.

To get one send a self-addressed envelope with a 5-cent stamp on it to the U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, Md. The envelope must be at least 9½ inches by 3¼ inches to hold the calculator.

Edward Teach is more popularly known as Blackbeard the Pirate.

Here's a Roundup of Stories That Made 1962 a Wonderful Year

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Young of Legal goes to Bremerton as AO . . . Suzy Schmitt reports as ARC Recreation Director . . . Knoll cops 1st in basketball.

MARCH—Dr. Gilbert was there when astronaut Glenn landed—almost . . . HM, DT shore tours upped . . . Food Service Serves 4800 meals daily . . . Jack Carman, Tom Hanson, Pat Taylor and Carol Franssen named 12ND Football All-Stars . . . Seven upped to HN . . . 17 complete Navy Relief training . . . Vic Vieyra and Dr. Dodgen win 12ND Badminton trophy . . . Bowlers cop 1st place . . . Father Lane assumes Senior Chaplain duties . . . I & E initiates pretest exams.

APRIL—74 Knollites selected for new "crows," five for HM1, nine for chief . . . CDR Brandt reports in as Public Works Officer . . . Eleven make HN . . . Drs. Taylor, Watters upped to CAPT . . . Personnel Inspection held . . . "Oklahoma" comes to Knoll . . . Jack Caldwell, Bob Garvey 12ND wrestling champs . . . LT Marjorie Warren tops 12ND women bowlers with a 228 game; Dorothy Troyan tops others with a 160 average . . . Knoll wins 12ND Volleyball title . . . ARC caps 16 Gray Ladies . . . Spring Frolic for EMs . . . 16 to HN . . . Dr. Magi on All-Navy volleyball team . . . 12 Waves aboard as HM trainees.

MAY—Nurses observe 54th anniversary. HMCS Tillman and EST Crew "stranded" in UC elevator . . . Drs. Wilson, Whatley, and Chaplain Lane new four-strippers . . . MATS begins Jet Air Evac flights from WestPac . . . RADM Curtze addresses Navy Wives' Club convention in CPO Club . . . Assistant SecNav Kenneth BeLieu tours hospital . . . New chiefs—Paul Spears, Ray Swearington, Jack Pazin, and Jack Timmerman . . . HM1 Ron Burke, HNs Milton Bruner, Mike McCarthy and Bob Winkler cop 12ND ping-pong title . . . Hilltoppers win 1st in baseball . . . Trophies presented at annual bowling banquet.

JUNE — JANGOs capped . . . Corpsmen celebrate 54th anniversary at picnic . . . 26 to HN . . . Padres Courtney, Jackson, swap jobs . . . NP doctors (and Jack Carman) dump EST Volleyballers in playoffs . . . Knoll wins district handball crown . . . Special Services restocks camping, fishing, skiing gear room . . . Admiral Goldthwaite speaks to graduating interns . . . Local orthopods host Western Orthopedic Society meeting.

JULY—New interns aboard . . . Waves smash Alameda softballers 28-3 . . . O'Wives model their sewing . . . Patients to annual Salinas Rodeo . . . Knoll 20 years old . . . Ed Tewksbury and Arnold Schmitt don CPO hats . . . Sayonara party as CAPT and Mrs. Davis leave for USNH, Yokosuka . . . Waves' observed 20th anniversary . . . Navy Relief contributions total \$2,331 . . . Swimming team wins 1st place . . . HN Gayle Bradley wins Women's Singles tourney . . . Wave softballers claim 12ND victory.

AUGUST: CAPT Hamill new NP Chief . . . 21 to HN . . . Navy Exchange renovated . . . HM3s Carol Evans and Emma Smith to Washington for Waves anniversary . . . CAPT Baker moves up from OB-GYN Chief to Exec. . . Dental Corps marks 50th anniversary . . . HM1 Del Tilton selected for ENS. Knoll Flying Club launches membership drive.

SEPTEMBER: KO Polio #1 Day at Oak Knoll . . . EMs enjoy beach-party, clambake, shipwreck dance . . . RADM Kenney, Surgeon General, addresses staff. Knoll hosts 300 ACCMA doctors . . . Footballers beat Concord 38-27 . . . "Pajama Game" on stage. Fourth set of triplets born at Oak Knoll—One dies . . . Marcos Parana, Martin Samson, and Sam Scott don Chief's hats.

OCTOBER: Fire Prevention Week observed with drills . . . Admiral Le Breton, French Surgeon General visits hospital. Flood—worst in Oakland history—causes \$25,000 worth of damage on compound . . . SecNav extends all active duty tours on account of Cuban crisis . . . Knoll hosts members of the Catholic Physicians' Guild of Oakland Diocese.

NOVEMBER: Commandant's Class B Trophy for Athletic Excellence presented to CO . . . Navy Medical IGs inspect Knoll . . . KO Polio #2 Day in Bldg. 38 . . . Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee plans Christmas events . . . Miss Joan Mathews takes Red Cross helm . . . Amputees return from Knights Landing pheasant hunt with 100 birds . . . Moffett's Marauders complete pigskin season undefeated . . . UBAC total \$6210 . . . 45 East Bay Eye specialists meet at O'Club.

DECEMBER: Victory Ball in auditorium . . . Stage show, kiddies party, Santa, and Jeannie Wilson . . . Brazilian Surgeon General visits . . . Terry Gwen named MVP for 12ND football season . . . 12 Hilltoppers named "All Stars" . . . Moffett "Coach of the Year." Ramblin' Amps bow to WBA, 2-1 . . . German dance for EMs . . . HMCS James promoted to HMCM . . . Happy New Year!

Fire Chief Sez

Down through the years—after the repeated loss of property and lives—man learned that if he were to be master and not slave of fire, he must guard against its uncontrolled spread. He has been trying ever since to gain the upper hand and at times with poor results.

The damage by fire in the United States in 1961 was \$1,526,000,000, according to the National Fire Protection Assn., a record in which no pride can be taken because a vast amount of the destruction was caused by carelessness.

To be wrong all the time is hard but some manage it.

Temper gets you into trouble; pride keeps you there.

A taxpayer is a person who doesn't have to pass a civil service exam to work for the government



RETIREMENT, IN TRIPLICATE. When the toots and whistles sounded at midnight New Year's Eve, signalling the arrival of 1963, three noisemakers were probably sounding off just a little louder than the others. At that time three Knollites were officially placed on the Navy's retirement list. LCDR Phillip M. Griffith, MSC, (left) of EST School, began work on 2 January as a civilian with the Alameda County Health Dept. LCDR Frances Anderson, NC, and her physician husband recently adopted one-month old James Arthur. She will spend her "retirement" in their Castro Valley home in a new career—that of housewife and mother. LCDR Fabe H. Wickham, CHC, popular Knoll chaplain since April, 1961, will assume pastoral duties in the Grace Presbyterian Church, Weed, Calif.

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Check Credit With Social Security

More than 80,000,000 people are paying into Social Security each year. Most receive proper credit for their earnings, but some do not. In such a vast program, mistakes can be made by the reporting employer, employees of Social Security, and by careless people who do not carry their Social Security cards. To protect your account, always carry your Social Security card so the number can be copied correctly when needed. If you lose your card, go to the nearest Social Security office and apply for a duplicate. If you do not know the location, ask at the post office. If you change your name through marriage or for any other reason, notify the Social Security Administration.

In 1956 and 1957, millions of new Social Security cards and duplicate cards were issued to service personnel all over the world. Unavoidably, errors were made and a number of people in service did not receive proper credit for those years. If you have never done so, it would be a good idea to write the Social Security Administration, P. O. Box 57, Baltimore 3, Md. for a statement of your account. Give your full name, Social Security number and date of birth. When you receive this statement, check it against your withholding tax slips or W-2 forms for each of the past 3 or 4 years. Do this at least every 5 years. If you find an error, take your pay slips, W-2 forms, or tax returns for the years in question to the nearest Social Security office. Action will be taken to credit your account with the missing earnings.

We have mentioned the Social Security District Office. Over 600 of these are set up all over the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the Philippines. You are usually as close to your district office as your telephone. You may write or call your local office whenever you have questions, desire to file a claim, or inquire on behalf of someone who can't come in. The local office is at 831 E. 14th Street, Oakland 6. The telephone number is TE 4-4121.

Social Security Rates Up 1/2% 1 January

The service member's net base pay will be slightly less beginning 1 January. Social Security tax deductions will go from the current 3 1/8 per cent to 3 5/8 per cent.

The reduction will hardly be noticed by those eligible for quarters allowances since they will be receiving substantial increases under the new quarters pay boost.

This tax increase is required by law. Under current laws the tax will not be increased again until 1966. The maximum amount that can be deducted during the year is \$174.

For persons who earn less than 4,800 per year, the tax will be deducted in 12 equal monthly payments. Deductions for those earning more occur during the months in which they earn their first 4,800.

On July 3, 1950, the U.S. Seventh Fleet's Task Force 77 was the first to use Navy jets in combat in the Korean conflict which began June 25, 1950.

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All Hands Invited to Big Civil Service Fun (and food) Fest

With plans for the hospital's first Civil Service Anniversary Party gaining momentum as the date approaches, all indications are that Saturday, 16 February, will be an unforgettable day in the annals of Oak Knoll!

There'll be food — succulent hickory-smoked prime ribs of beef, hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans,

potato salad, relishes. There'll be a huge birthday cake to honor the hospital's 559 Civil Service workers. There'll be twist and talent contests. Softball and soft drinks. Volleyball. Sack races for the children. Bean and straw relays for the less rugged type. Prizes!

A combo straight from a San Francisco breakfast club will play

during lunch and for dancing on the black top.

All this and a wonderful opportunity to make friends, too!

Hours of the party are 1000 to 1600 (Lunch from 1200 to 1300). The place is the hospital athletic field and picnic area.

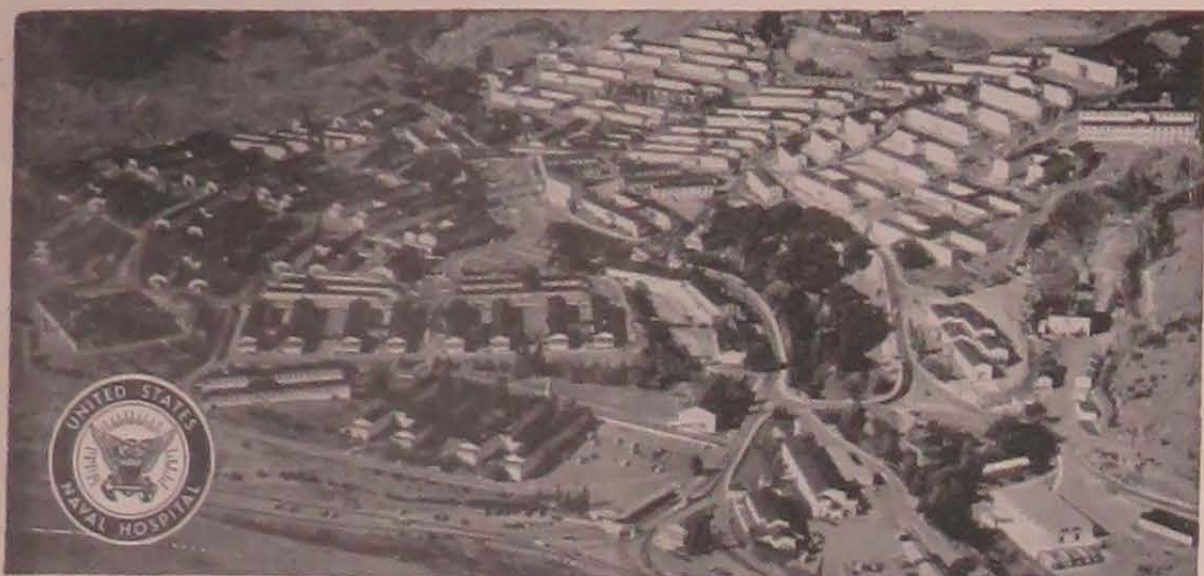
Although the gala event is planned by and for civilians in ob-

servance of the "birthday" of Civil Service, all members of Oak Knoll's military staff are invited.

Every member of the Oak Knoll family and HIS family are invited.

The price of admission is \$2 per adult, 50 cents per school child. Pre-school children may tag along free.

Tickets will go on sale soon.



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Friday, 18 January 1963



SIX HUNDRED hours of sewing and knitting for Navy Relief have earned Mrs. John N. Brandt a Navy Relief pin and a Navy "well done." Admiral Hays presented both at the 9 January meeting of the Officers' Wives' Club. Earning 100-hour pins were Mrs. Arthur J. Draper (left), Mrs. Alfred R. Chappelka, Jr., and Mrs. Gary O. Boyer.

Navy Relief Pins For Four Wives, One Grandmother

Four officers' wives and an officer's wife's grandmother—who together have given a total of 1000 hours to Navy Relief—received pins and a "well done" from Admiral Hays on 9 January at the monthly luncheon meeting of the Oak Knoll Officers' Wives' Club.

Mrs. John N. Brandt, who devoted her time to sewing and knitting baby garments, received a 600-hour pin.

Others honored were Mrs. Arthur J. Draper who devoted 100 hours to interviewing at this hospital; Mrs. Alfred R. Chappelka, Jr., who worked as an interviewer here and in Hawaii; and Mrs. Gary O. Boyer, who divided her services between sewing and interviewing.

Mrs. Chappelka's grandmother, Mrs. Ida B. Belmont of Providence, Rhode Island, served "by mail," sending layette garments along as she finished them. She will receive her 100-hour pin by mail.

ComRats Cut To \$1.03 Daily Rate

Knollites who draw commuted rations and pay for their meals in the mess hall will notice a change next time they pay the cashier.

The Department of Defense has cut the commuted ration in the U.S. from \$1.07 to \$1.03.

The evening meal has been trimmed by five cents to 35c, and a penny has been added to the cost of breakfast. Dinner stays the same at 45c.

These costs—.23, .45 and .35—add up to the \$1.03 ration allowance paid to men authorized to mess separately and who often buy one or more meals in the general mess.

Commuted ration rates are based on what it costs the services to feed a man one day in the general mess.

**Dance at Club Tradewinds—1 February
2000 to 2400**

Up For A Rate? February Exams Two Weeks Away

Time is running out for Knollites who are studying for the February fleet-wide petty officer examinations—and for those hopefuls who should be burning the midnight oil, but who are waiting until the last minute to "cram" for the exams.

According to figures made available by BuPers, the overall rating picture looks good. HMIs trying for the hard hat will stand a better "overall" chance than those competing one year ago.

All the figures in the world won't help the examinee, however, unless he has the bookwork down pat. Your practical factors took care of your on-the-job everyday work—what you'll be tested on is the questions that are made up from the study guides and various manuals dealing with your "overall" rating.

Staffers are reminded that the tests for HMC will be held on 5 February. PO1 hopefuls will be examined on the 7th, PO2s on the 12th and those trying for their first "crow" will take the examination on 14 February.

All eligible candidates will meet in the I and E classrooms at 0745 on the days scheduled for their tests.

Symphony Tickets for Three Performances Yours for the Asking

Knollites who enjoy the symphony will be pleased to learn that Special Services has purchased tickets for three performances, all on Friday afternoons.

Dates open are 15 February, 1 March, and 17 May.

Only a limited number of passes are available on a first come, first served basis at Special Services.



Knoll DK Wave Upped to Chief

Oak Knoll's only Wave disbursing clerk was promoted to chief petty officer last Wednesday and initiated into the ranks of the "hard hats" during ceremonies in the Knoll CPO Club.

She is Mary M. Cole, who enlisted during World War II following graduation from high school in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Mary was ordered to Hunters College, New York, for her "recruit" training. Since the war was in full swing, all Wave candidates received an "accelerated" course of indoctrination which lasted only three weeks.

Three months of specialized training followed at the University of Indiana where she was trained as a storekeeper. "In those days," Mary recalls, "all disbursing clerks were within the storekeeper rating. In 1944," she continued, "we almost won our independence when the Navy designated us as SKDs."

That was 19 years ago. Mary has no definite plans for retirement at this time.

When she was "pushing boots" at Great Lakes, and later at Bainbridge when the Wave boot camp was

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CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Morning Worship.....1030
 Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses.....0830 1215
 Daily Mass.....1200 in small chapel
 Confessions.....Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
 Novena.....Tuesday after 1200 Mass

Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.
 Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

Navy News Roundup

FLAT HATS, BLUE COVERS TO GO—The Navy's enlisted blue flat hats and blue hat covers for officers and CPOs are going the way of the cocked fore-and-aft hat. They're slated for elimination from the uniform requirements, with the hats going out completely and blue covers becoming optional. Neither the flat hat or blue covers have been used in recent years. . . . **FACTORY WORKERS' PAY TOPS NAVY'S**—Figures developed for the Military Pay Study Group show that military men's pay lags far behind that of workers in U.S. manufacturing industries. On basic pay, there is no real comparison. The average military man's basic pay is only \$2531 a year, as compared to the average factory worker's \$4800. With all fringe benefits the military's pay figures to \$4431. . . . **KIN CARE CUT SEEN IN FUTURE HOSPITALS**—The Department of Defense has decided to stop programming beds for military dependents in some of its future hospitals. There are certain exceptions for professional and other reasons, but on the whole, new military hospitals will have little space for dependents. A study group, headed by Dr. Anthony J. J. Rourke, said, "Where civilian or uniformed service medical facilities are available within less than 45 minutes average travel time, construction of dependent beds should not be programmed in military hospitals." Medicare, however, requires dependents of military personnel who reside with their sponsors to use military rather than civilian facilities. . . . **MOTHBALLS FOR ANTIETAM**—The first U.S. aircraft carrier to receive an angled flight deck, the USS ANTIETAM, will begin the mothball process 8 January at Philadelphia. . . . **O'SEAS HOUSING PAY CHANGE IS CHANGED**—There is good news from the Pentagon for those who were about to take a cut in housing allowances overseas because of a new system for figuring this overseas housing per diem pay. DOD has rescinded its previous order which was to take effect 1 January and substituted a new system under which no one will lose out because of the revised housing allowance adjustments. Low-ranking enlisteds with large families stood to lose about \$300 annually.

"My, it's wonderful there's a place a body can drink and nobody knows about it!" chuckled the little old lady as she staggered into Alcoholics Anonymous.

"Is the doctor in?" whispered the man with laryngitis into the phone.

"No," the nurse whispered back. "Come on up, but be very quiet."

"Spoils System" Spoiled Everything—Till Civil Service Finally Came Along

This is no television drama that you see here. The man putting up his hands is James A. Garfield, 20th President of these United States. The gunman, an angry, disappointed job seeker, slipped up behind the President in a Washington, D.C. railroad station and shot him in the back.

The death of President Garfield on 2 July 1881 hastened the birth of Civil Service.

The Civil Service Act, basically unchanged since its passage on 16 January 1883, provides for employment on the basis of merit alone, without discrimination with regard to race, religion, national origin, sex, or politics.

During the 50 years that preceded passage of the act, obtaining a Federal job was an entirely different matter.

"To the victor belong the spoils" was the accepted principle in filling jobs. The winning Presidential candidate appointed his supporters, ousting those who had worked faithfully for the previous administration. The "spoils system" reached such proportions that in 1841 when William Henry Harrison was inaugurated, 40,000 office seekers swarmed into Washington to claim the 23,700 jobs that made up the Federal executive service of that day.

By 1853 it had become the custom to stop all regular activities for a month after a change of administration to allow the President and his department heads to settle the multitudinous and conflicting claims of the "spoilsmen."

During the Civil War a vigorous movement was begun to change the method of appointments, which had been a source of deep anxiety to President Lincoln.

As swarms of jobseekers tramped up and down White House corridors in the early 1860s, he said: "There you see something which will in the course of time become a greater danger to the Republic than the Rebellion itself."

On another occasion, the Great Emancipator, bedded in the White House by a smallpox attack, told



his attendants. "Tell all the office seekers to come in at once, for last I have something I can give to all of them."

It took the shock of President Garfield's assassination to point up the grave necessity for the legislative action taken four score years ago.

"The Civil Service Act has stood the test of time," President Kennedy said in marking the anniversary this week. "It provides the excellent service which is required for successful execution of Federal programs and policies which have deep significance to all Americans and a citizens of the free world."

"The act has been strengthened since 1883, and the life of every American is touched directly or indirectly every day by the service which Federal employees perform."



"She had a nasty headache and went out with a Corpsman"

A man advertised for a wife and got 200 replies—most of which said, "You can have mine."

A bachelor: A man who believes in life, liberty, and the happiness of pursuit.

The golfer's cart has a big advantage over the caddie; it cannot count.

1960 Knoll Intern Dies in Viet Nam

Through a medical fraternity publication, the OAK LEAF learned this week of the death of LT Gerald C. Griffin, who completed his internship at Oak Knoll in 1960.

According to the article, Dr. Griffin, on 6 October 1962, "died a heroic death on a jungle mountain in South Viet Nam. He was riding in a helicopter when it crashed while on mission against Communist guerrillas. There were eight men in the ill-fated helicopter and Dr. Griffin, though critically wounded, used his medical knowledge to direct and advise the medical team at the accident until the very end. He insisted that other survivors receive medical attention before he would accept treatment himself."

Dense jungle and the hazardous trail up the side of the mountain made it impossible to move Dr. Griffin to a location where he could be evacuated by helicopter before he died. Six others also lost their lives.

The 28-year-old Navy doctor was from Dubuque, Iowa.

CDR Betty O'Malley Aboard to Head Knoll's Therapeutic Diet Kitchen

CDR Betty O'Malley checked in last Friday to assume the duties of head dietitian in the Food Service division.

A Navy veteran of nearly 20 years' service, Commander O'Malley left a job as a nurse in St. John's River-

side Hospital, Yonkers, N.Y., to join the sea service in 1944. She received her Navy indoctrination training in the Portsmouth (Va.) Naval Hospital before reporting to USNH, St. Albans, as a shining new ensign for her first duty assignment.

From 1945 until 1946 she served in Key West, Fla. The following year the Navy sent her to George Washington University, Washington, D.C., to study for her dietitian's certificate.

Diploma in hand, she reported to her first assignment as a dietitian in Brooklyn Naval Hospital. She was there until it closed in 1948. There she met LCDR Harry Oakes, whom she didn't see again until this week when she found him heading the Knoll Food Service division.

Commander O'Malley was ordered to New York University in 1948 and was later graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in foods and nutrition.

During the Korean conflict, 1951 until 1953, she headed the diet kitchen aboard the hospital ship USS CONSOLATION. She sailed many times between the West Coast and the Far East, shuttling patients from the battlefield to stateside hospitals. That ship is still doing yeoman duties throughout the world, but today it is known as the SS HOPE.

Following a tour of duty at USNH San Diego, she was transferred in 1959 to USNH Portsmouth where she served until receiving orders to Oak Knoll.

An MSC Commander since last June, Miss O'Malley will be supervising the preparation of the 120 special diets served to Knoll patients each meal.

She is assisted in the therapeutic diet kitchen by LTJG Susan M. LaCaire, HN Gordon W. Schumaker and HA Dennis R. Lewis.

Three More Civilians Past 20-Year Mark

Three more members of the civilian staff have passed the 20-year milestone in their government careers. They are Joseph Romano, meatcutter; Charles Asbelle, rehabilitation specialist; and Jack Beran, electrician. All began their government service in the Navy.

Admiral Hays presented lapel pins and letters of appreciation to the three when he met with civilian supervisors last Thursday.

The true music lover is the man who, upon hearing a soprano voice in the bathroom, puts his ear to the keyhole.

Fire Chief Sez

It is estimated that 11,000 persons die as a result of fire every year in the United States. Children five years old or younger account for at least 20 percent of that total.

One way to insure against home or work fires is to keep flammable or explosive cleaning fluids, such as gasoline, out of confined spaces. Use safe cleaning fluids only.

NPRL Graduating Class



AFTER TWELVE MONTHS' training in the Knoll Prosthetic Research Laboratory four students recently won their technician's ratings. Now designated orthopedic appliance mechanics, the graduates are fully qualified to build artificial arms and legs, fit patients, and service others whose prostheses are in need of repair. Present for the graduation last Friday were, from the left: Donald Strand, instructor; Airmen 2nd class Larry Cloud and Glen Davis; HM2 Bobby Crone, HM2 William Appel and LTJG O. C. Langston, administrative assistant. The Navy graduates will be retained on board.

Know Your Staff



HN Sandra Elhers of Staff Detail joined the Navy after graduating from Potosi (Wisc.) High School in 1961. She went to see her recruiter because her small home town (population 700) didn't offer her an opportunity for a career. She wanted to see a little of the world and at the same time to train in a medical field because she was interested in nursing. "The Navy offered all of these," said Sandy, "but I had to wait a few months until my 18th birthday."

She had "boot" training at Bainbridge, Md., and corps school at Great Lakes. Following graduation she was granted her request for assignment within the 12th Naval District.

In Staff Detail Sandy indoctrinates new staff corpsmen, assigns the various details, and makes out the watch list for duty nights, weekends, etc.

During off hours she is a member of the mixed-league Thursday night bowlers in the local lanes.

Before she came into the Navy, Sandy enjoyed painting scenics in oils and was interested in archery. If someone would teach her to swim, she'd be interested in joining the Knoll swimming team.

She has four brothers, no sisters, and was one of only seven girls in her high school graduating class.

Neurological Society Meets at Oak Knoll

The San Francisco Neurological Society met at the Officers' Club on 9 January.

Dr. Cornelius Tobias, Professor of Physics at Donner Radiation Laboratory in Berkeley, gave a paper on "High Energy Alpha Particles in the Treatment of Brain Tumors."

LCDR A. M. Warner told of "An Unusual Fatal Complication of Cerebral Angiography"; LCDR M. E. Allison, Jr., discussed "Eosinophilic Meningitis"; CAPT Gale Clark described the management of "Cirroid Aneurysm of the Dura and Skull." LT R. F. Goodwin told of an interesting case of "Leukodystrophy in a 12-Year-Old-Boy."

A short business meeting completed the program.

Disneyland Offers Special Tour Rates

Disneyland has announced three "special" dates for holders of their Magic Kingdom Cards—available at Special Services.

The special rates, \$4.75 for adults and \$3.75 for children, will insure a full day of entertainment at Disneyland.

Tickets are good for one full day and will be accepted for payment on every one of the 37 rides and tours available. This is a tremendous savings as compared to their regular everyday prices.

The dates Disneyland has set aside as "specials" include 26 and 27 January, 23 and 24 February and 23 and 24 March.

Full details are available at Special Services, Ext. 595.

Aaron & Muehlberger Top Bridge Scorers

Twenty-eight persons turned out on 4 January for the first meeting of the Oak Knoll Officers' Club bridge section, with LTs B. L. Aaron and J. J. Muehlberger making top scores.

Bridge sessions will be held the first and third Fridays of each month, under the direction of Mrs. Anne Haley of the Oakland Studio of Bridge.

If the interest in this activity continues, the club hopes to get an American Contract Bridge License.

Twenty Years Ago In The OAK LEAF

DARTS!!! Several new dart games are appearing in the wards, and the men seem to be enjoying them. Some good marksmen are being developed. Twenty-four more dart games—baseball, etc., are being given by the Tribune Athletic Committee.

The long-awaited arrival of Bing Crosby and Dinah Shore took place Monday p.m. . . . "Summertime" from Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" was sung by both Dinah and Bing. They were most gracious and kind about autographs; many a bed-patient's cast bears their signatures.

BEEF OF THE WEEK: Civilian and staff members are crowding in when professional talent ENTER-TAINS for the PATIENTS.

Corpsmen assigned to duty here have wonderful opportunities for technical training. The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery have from time to time authorized different schools. We now have six organized and running and a seventh authorized. Schools in order of authorization are 1. Laboratory; 2. Surgery; 3. Clerical Forms and Procedure; 4. Dental Tech; 5. X-ray Tech; 6. Commissary Procedures.

I ONLY HEARD THAT . . . A true example of friendliness and professional dignity at all times is possessed by Miss Soto of Ward 44A.

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM: Help Keep Your Hospital Clean—Avoid Fires—Don't Throw Cigarette or Candy Papers in "Butt Buckets."

ALL DEPENDS ON HOW YOU LOOK AT IT! ⁸¹RAZ

HM2 Bill Appel Heads Committee

HM2 Bill Appel of NPRL has been appointed chairman of the Enlisted Recreation Committee by the commanding officer. He replaces JO1 Bob Williams, who headed the planning of EM parties, dances and picnics for the past 18 months.

The committee meets monthly to organize holiday celebrations and semimonthly combo dances for Knoll EMs. Since the planners want to do their best for the recreation of all hands, they need your suggestions and recommendations. You'll be helping yourselves and the recreation committee if you will contact Bill Appel, or any of his committee, and make your desires known.

Assisting the chairman are HM3s Bill Thompson, Photo Arts; Jack Caldwell, swimming pool; Mary C. Morris, EKG; George K. Hungrige, Dermatology; MASN Mary A. Capaldi, Data Processing; HNs Roland W. Franssen, Special Services; Horace Holston, Photostat; HM3 Michael J. McCarthy, NP; HM3 Jerry Forkner, HNs Brenda J. Brown, Susan K. Davis, Theresa L. Joler, Patricia L. Andrews and Paula Jo Williams, all Nursing Service.

Also Edward Hunt, Surgery II; HM1 Dorothy Leo, Physical Therapy; Walter L. Hedglin, ID and Pass Office and HM2 Charles Quisenberry, Civil Readjustment.

Personnel are assigned to the recreation committee as a collateral duty, but attendance at scheduled meetings is mandatory.



HM1 John F. Mutsch was piped over the side Wednesday morning and returned the salute to fellow first class petty officers who acted as his sideboys.

He was presented a letter by Admiral Hays outlining his more than 19 years in the Navy. Duty assignments have included the transports **General Walker** and **General Sul-tan**, and the repair ship **USS Kermit Roosevelt**. He also served a tour of duty in Yokosuka, Japan, Fleet Aircraft Service Squadron 110, Patrol Squadron 2, the Naval Supply Depot, Clearfield, Utah, and at Naval Hospitals at Treasure Island, San Francisco, Great Lakes, Oakland.

John, his wife Veronica, and their two sons Donald 8 and Douglas 7 years, will spend about a month in Eau Claire, Wisc., before returning to the Bay Area for civilian employment.

Scuttlebutt

RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS: David James, HN, Harry Crane, HM3, and Charles Love, HMCA, each signing on the dotted for another 6... Bruce Gerringer, HMC, shipping over for 4 and his final hitch... The ground frozen solid in the early mornings... The Loefflers, Lieurances, and Doolittles returning from happy holidays in Hawaii... LCDR Nancy Leonard changing her name to Mrs. Kinnenn... Mr. Smedberg calling Coca-Cola officials to check on that threat about removing the coke dispensers from the compound—only to discover eventually that the item was quoted from the OAK LEAF of January 1943!... Dr. Chi-te Wei sending the OAK LEAF editor a card—beautifully Formosan, with greeting in Chinese characters and on the back the neat notation—A Miller Card, made in Brooklyn, N.Y. (Dr. Wei, former trainee, still misses Oak Knoll but is busy with his navy duties and also serves as OB-GYN consultant for two civilian hospitals on Taiwan.)

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS RE WELL-KNOWN FOLK: Larry Busby, who helps deliver the laundry, delivers mighty fine music on the piano, drums, bass, and violin and plays with a combo at the 181 Club in San Francisco. Larry grew up in Richmond and studied music at Langston University and DB & O (Deaf, Blind, and Orphan's) Institute in Oklahoma. Larry is an orphan.

OAKNOLLUMNI: Eugene Fedor, HM1, attached to the MarCorps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C., has been presented a certificate of achievement for his outstanding record in a Disease Vector and Pest Control Technology Course, says Navy Times.

THE LATEST WORD on "People Need People," the television play based on the therapeutic community organized by CAPT Harry Wilmer, Palo Alto psychiatrist, when he was on active duty here several years ago, is that the show received rave notices in England when shown over BBC in October. A new stage version, rewritten from the play produced at San Quentin, will be put on by the Menlo Park Community Players at Bergess Theatre on 8 February.

LIFE BEGAN on 4 January for Terry Joe Higgenbottom, 10 lb. son for Joseph Higgenbottom, HN, NP Service, and wife Sherry... On 13 January for Lori Ann Butz, 6 lb., 14½ oz. daughter for LT Roger H. Butz, Intern, and wife Joyce.

Volleyball Players Should Sign Up Now

Volleyball players — and those who would like to learn the sport — are asked to contact Ken Moffett, Knoll Athletic Director, at Special Services.

Divisions forming volleyball teams for the intramural season are also asked to register.

Teams will be matched against each other as soon as all divisions make their intentions known. The best players will be selected to join the Hilltopper team to compete in 12ND varsity play.



HN Steve Gunn joined the Navy after graduating from Chico (Calif.) High School in 1960.

He was ordered to San Diego for boot and Corps school.

A Knollite since April 1961, Steve worked his first 18-months on War 63A. More recently he has been assigned to the Admission Room and Patient Personnel.

Most of Steve's time is taken up with study—preparing for the February examinations. In April or May Steve and a few friends hope to take leave and fly space available to Hawaii and enjoy the warm sun and sands at Waikiki.

When discharged next fall he plans to enroll in Chico State College and study business administration.

Knoll Hoopsters In First Place

The Oak Knoll Hilltopper basketball team is tied for first place with Naval Supply Center, Stockton, the 12th Naval District "B" league competitions. In the over-all standings, including the "AA" and "A" teams, the Knollites are tied for third place.

Last Tuesday the local hoopsters met Naval Ammunition Depot, Concord, and defeated their opponent 78 to 71 in an away game.

Bob Winkler was the Knoll basketball player during the Concord game, dropping in 29 points. Otto Alexander was runner up for high point man with 16.

They were scheduled to play Stockton again last night.

Coming up on the basketball calendar are games with Treasure Island next Tuesday, the 22nd; away games with the Coast Guard on the 24th, and the Naval Supply Center on the 29th and a home game with Naval Air Station Moffett Field on the 31st.

All home games begin at 2030 in the gymnasium following the evening movie.

DKC Cole—Cont. from page

moved, she met Kennard Cole, a man who was to become her husband. He is presently stationed Mare Island following six years continuous sea duty. Now, a LT, he has served three years since being commissioned. "That means that we'll be a Navy family for at least the next seven years," Mary volunteered.



GRADUATION certificates were presented to Oak Knoll's two newest Urology technicians during ceremonies last Friday on 75B. Receiving their diplomas were HN Warren S. Sladon, who goes to San Diego, and HM3 Elroy J. Fruge, who will be stationed at Great Lakes. Present for the ceremony were LCDRs Hellmut Gebhardt and Mitchell Edson, staff urologists. The new technicians earned their diplomas after six months on-the-job training.

247 Knollites Will Begin Exams Tuesday For Rate Advancements

Two hundred forty-seven staff personnel are eligible to take part in the fleet-wide examinations for advancement in rate which begin next Tuesday.

Nineteen PO1s will lead off the February examining period on the 5th when they vie for promotions that will require a change of uniform and win them the "hard hat." Examinations for CPO are held once a year.



CAPT ROBERT C. DOOLITTLE checked out yesterday after 20 years in the Navy Medical Corps. A Knollite since November 1957, Dr. Doolittle moved up to Chief of the Amputee Service and Director of the Prosthetic Research Laboratory in January 1961. He and his wife Virginia and their two children will continue to live in Castro Valley. Dr. Doolittle, a board certified orthopedic surgeon, will practice in San Leandro. CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., acting CO, presented Captain Doolittle a letter of appreciation from the Surgeon General at the Monday morning conference with chiefs of services, and Wednesday night, members of the PRL staff turned out en masse to honor him and his wife at a party at the CPO Club.

Free Tickets For Piccoli Puppet Show

Free tickets for the Piccoli Puppet Theater are available in Special Services.

The shows will be presented nightly during the week in the Gold Room, Hotel Claremont.

Curtain time is 2030.

Navy Exchange Note

The Navy Exchange service station is now honoring Shell Oil Co. credit cards.

Two days later, on the 7th, 40 hopefuls will be given their 150 questions while competing for 1st class petty officer.

The following Tuesday, 12 February, 54 will try for their second chevron and on the 14th, 134 non-rated men and women will be tested for their first "crow."

According to figures released by the Bureau of Naval Personnel, 70 to 100 percent of those passing the HMC exam will be rated. Those trying for HM3, HM2, and HM1 stand only a "good" chance—from 40 to 70% of those passing will be rated.

Dental technicians, however, will have to fight slimmer odds. Going up for E-4, is "fair," 15 to 40 percent; DT2 hopefuls stand a "poor" chance, even if they pass the test, with less than 15 percent being rated. Candidates for DT1 stand a "fair" chance and eligibles for DTC can look forward to a "good."

In a report of the advancements of the August exams, 54,835 of the 76,263 enlisteds (72 percent) who passed the summer tests were promoted to E-4, E-5 and E-6.

Although planning figures for promotions to CPO (E-7) have not yet been firmed up, the BuPers "crystal-ballers" say they do not expect as many will be made this year as last, when 8095 were named for advancement throughout the promotion year.

From the above figures you can easily see that passing the test is only one requirement along the advancement path.

Counting very strongly and determining if you will be rated or a "quota fatality" are your semiannual marks, time in service and rate, and the number of points you earned with good conduct medals and other awards.

Only after the final figures are tallied and your multiple added to your test score are you considered for promotion.

Knollites will muster in the I and E Bldg. on the dates listed for their examinations. Candidates should be seated by 0745.

22 Staff Corpsmen Advanced to HN

Twenty-two Knollites won promotions to HN this week after successfully passing the examination in the I and E Bldg. Promotions became effective today.

Sewing on their new rating badges from Nursing Service were Linda L. Matthews, Gerald R. Schneider, Mary A. Thompson, Donald F. Vagil, Roger R. Jones, Larry D. Tanous, JoAnn Lawrence, Dixie Glenn, Rob-

ert Zander, Loren C. Cornish, Thor E. Johnson, Marianne Winne, Joseph N. Kirkland and Rudy F. Reynoso.

OR students promoted were Mike A. Futscher, Denny Schaff, Michael Martinez and Rita L. Giacchero.

Also, Lawrence Knobloch and David Dalton, Food Service; Wayne P. Reetz, NP school, and John F. Farris, Patient Personnel.

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UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Fun, Friendship, Food Galore On 16 February Agenda

With the command lending its wholehearted support, plans for the big civilian party to be held at the athletic field and picnic area on 16 February are rapidly shaping up.

All hands attached to Oak Knoll—military and civilian, past, present, and future—are invited to the party.

The gates will be open from 1000 to 1600 with not a dull moment between. Even while hungry partygoers are lined up for their serving of hickory-smoked prime rib roast of beef a la Dan'l Ross, there'll be music by the Busy Bee Combo, which includes the Knoll's own Larry Busby. Chow will be served from 1200 until ???????.

Games and contests for children of all ages will be interrupted only by the dinner gong.

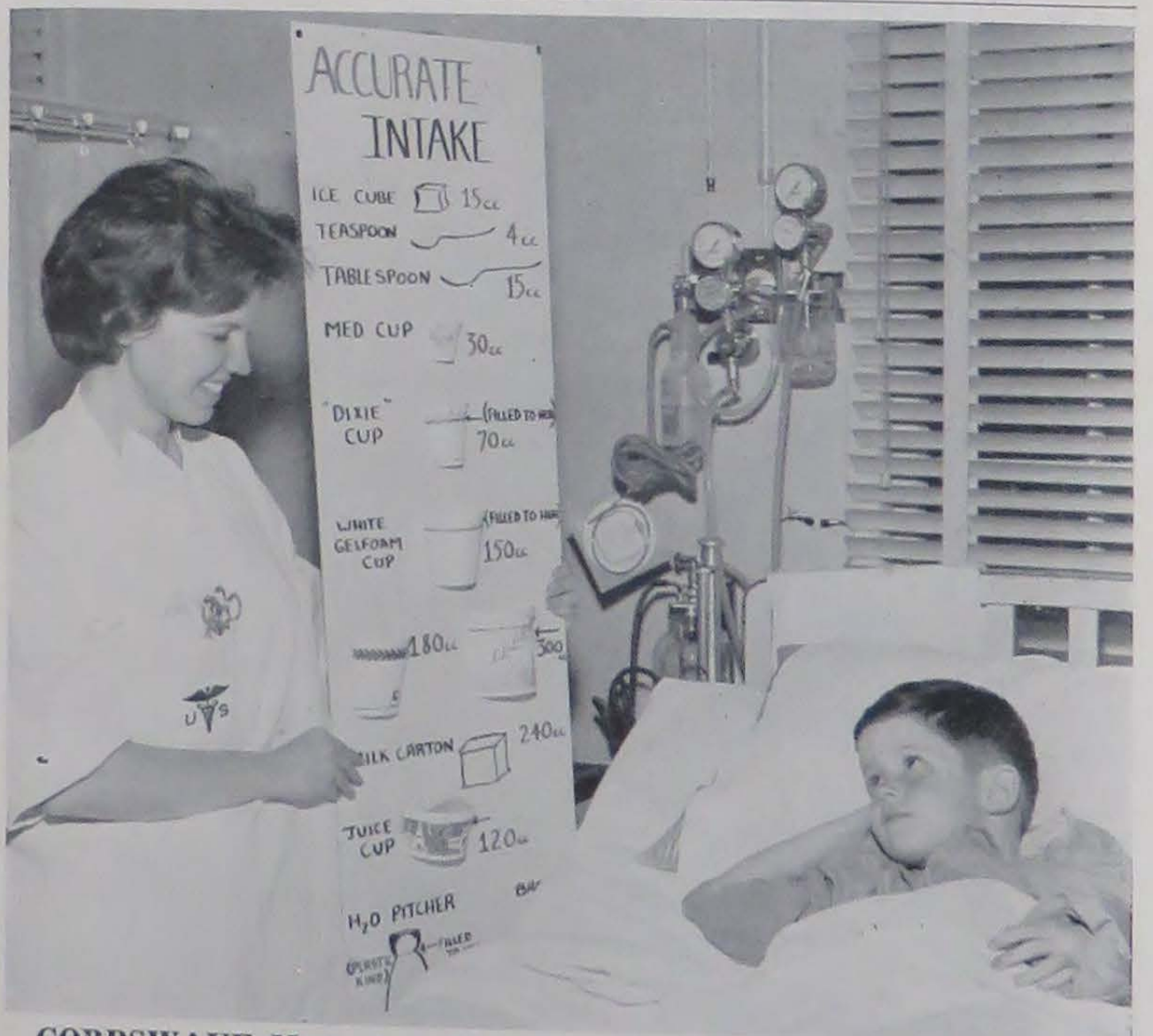
Soft drinks will be on tap throughout the day.

Name tags will be worn by all comers so that the strangers in our midst will become friends before the day is over.

There'll be a gate prize for a lucky adult and a gate prize for a lucky child. There'll be prizes for contests and special awards to distinguished employees!

Pre-school children will be admitted free. School children may attend for 50 cents, adults for \$2.

Sports or play clothes will be uniform of the day.



CORPSWAVE Mary Ann Thompson, HN, shows her patient, 4-year-old Ronny Smith, exactly how many CCs each container used on 65B holds. The chart was designed by ENS Beverly Scaccia, ward nurse, during off duty hours. At a glance the staff can determine the exact intake of various patients during each serving.

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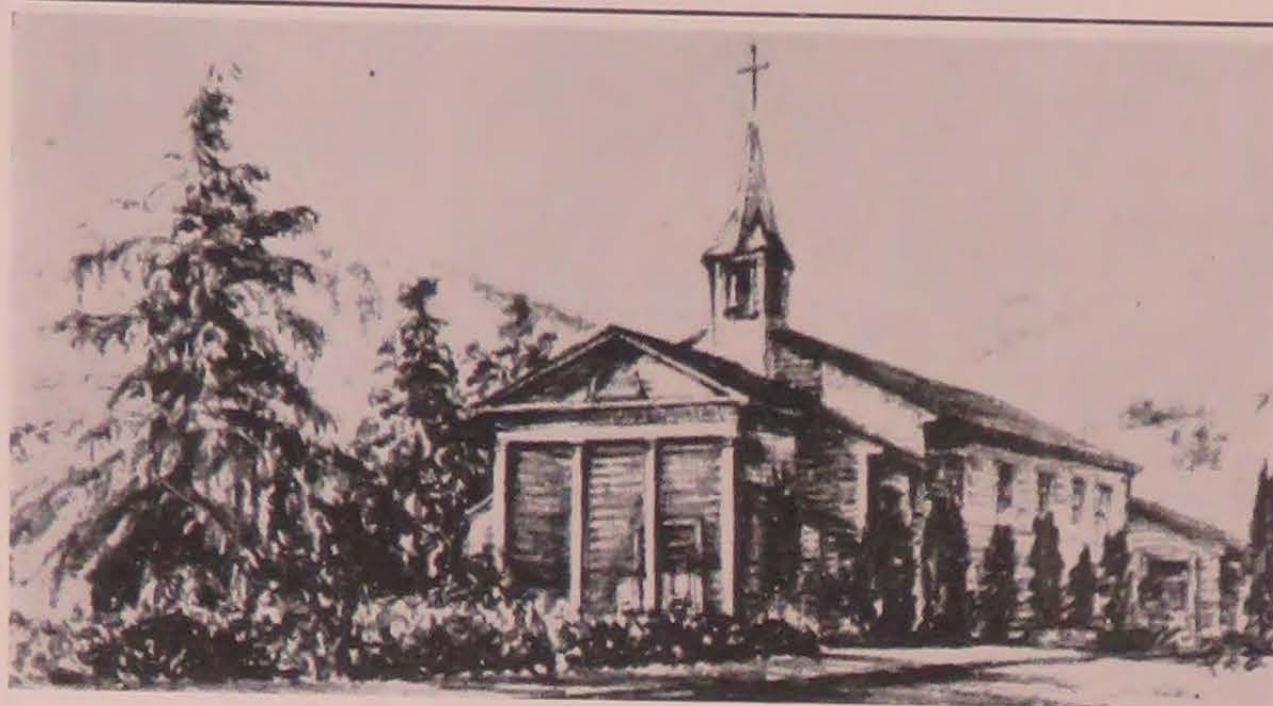
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CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Morning Worship.....1030
 Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses.....0830 1215
 Daily Mass.....1200 in small chapel
 Confessions.....Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
 Novena.....Tuesday after 1200 Mass
 Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.
 Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

Navy News Roundup

JFK ASKS \$53.7 BILLION FY 1964 DEFENSE BUDGET—The defense portion of the fiscal budget of 1964 presented Congress by President Kennedy amounts to \$53.7 billion. This is an increase of \$2.4 billion over the budget for FY 1963. About half the increase is accounted for by proposed military pay increases boosting expenditures about \$100 million per month during the legislation's first 12 effective months. Added to that are the increased quarters allowance and the cost of increased retirement pay to those persons who will retire after the pay raise goes into effect.

RAMBLERS ON SALE IN O'SEAS EXCHANGES—The Navy Ships' Store Office has finalized plans to sell American Motors automobiles (Ramblers) through overseas Navy Exchanges. Exchange patrons will realize a savings of 21 to 26% below list prices. . . . **PT BOATS FOR CASTRO**—Russia has given Cuba seven motor torpedo boats capable of 40 knots and carrying two seagoing missiles. . . . **DOD RELEASES SERVICE FIGURES**—According to the Department of Defense, the manpower of the Armed Services stood at 2,699,386 on 31 October 1962. Of these, 652,566 were in the Navy and 187,814 were in the Marine Corps.

NAVY ESTABLISHES NAVAL AIR MUSEUM AT NAS PENSACOLA—This first permanent home of naval aviation is now the home of a Naval Aviation Museum which the Navy has established under the Chief of Naval Air Basic Training. Mission of the new museum, says the Navy, is "to select, collect, preserve and display appropriate memorabilia representative of the development growth and historic heritage of naval aviation." The Navy hopes to build up the museum's collection from voluntary gifts of items from both active and retired personnel and is canvassing naval districts and commands for aid in locating them.

STATION CHANGE MILEAGE PAY REVIEWED—The Pentagon's per diem committee is reviewing the six cents a mile limit paid to military persons making a permanent change of station. There has been no change in the mileage rate since 1951, when the amount was dropped from eight cents to six cents. The maximum payment is 24 cents a mile. It is 18 cents a mile for dependents (maximum) based on allowing six cents a mile for each of the first two dependents 12 years of age or older, three cents for each additional dependent 12 or older and three cents for each dependent over 5 and under 12.



HMC Theodore R. Karnes Jr. of I and E was married to Miss Marcia Simmons of Oakland in the local Chapel on 19 January. Chaplain Farn W. Kempson performed the 1130 ceremony. A reception followed at the Knoll Chief Petty Officers' Club. HMC Ray E. Dodge was best man. HMC Nile Godfrey, X-ray instructor, gave the bride away.

Know Your Staff



HM1 Jose S. Santos of the ENT staff joined the Navy in 1954 from his home town, Caloocan City, Philippine Islands.

He explained that his middle initial, "S", also stands for Santos since it was his mother's maiden name, too. It is the custom to name children that way in the Philippines.

After recruit training in San Diego Santos served in the repair ship USS YOSEMITE (AD-19), operating out of Newport, R.I. Six months later he was ordered to corps school in Portsmouth, Va., and was retained on board for one year after graduation. He was advanced to HM3 while a student in "A" school.

In 1958 Santos was ordered to duty with the Sea Bees MCB-5 unit, homeported in Port Hueneme, Calif. Deployments to Subic Bay, Guam, and Okinawa, during the Laos crisis, followed. After a tour of duty at Sangley Point, Philippines, he reported to Oak Knoll in August 1961. He was assigned to the Legal and Security division until selected to attend ENT school.

With his wife, Aida, and their eight-months-old daughter, Marylou, Jose makes his home in Alameda.

While off duty he spends much of his time in the hobby shop at Alameda making "things for the house."

Twenty Years Ago In The OAK LEAF

For those who might be interested we have a notary public Miss Claire Martini—working in the Personnel Office.

BUY BONDS AND STAMPS TO HELP LICK THE AXIS.

In the OAK LEAF of Jan. 29 announced about starting a static orchestra. Since then several rehearsals have been held and splendid interest was shown by young fellows who play instruments. trap drummers, 2 pianists, 2 tuba players, 1 trumpet player, and a violinist showed up.

CONGRATULATIONS! Mary Lindner became Chief Nurse as of 1 January.

The Corpsmen challenge any of all officers to a softball game—answer this challenge in the OAK LEAF.

Believe it or not, Miss Hanwa had another birthday with cake and candles. How many????

FLASH! Andrews Sisters—Monday in wards.

COMEBACK: San Francisco famed Barbary Coast (now called the International Settlement) again as gay as before the 1906 fire. Many servicemen pay it a last visit before embarking for the Solomon Islands. The old-time hoodlum elements of course are missing.

Jokes

FOOTBALL SEASON: That time of year when you can walk down the street with a blonde on one arm and a blanket on the other—and nobody says a word.

When asked if he had it all to do over again, would he make the same mistakes. Gramps chortled "Yer darn tootin' — but I'd start sooner."

The first thing a man notices about a girl depends on which way she is going.

Scuttlebutt

SIGNS OF THE TIMES: Valentine hearts and flowers on sale at Navy Exchange. . . . The CPO Club being readied for a Valentine Dance the night of 16 February. . . . Raymond D. Thomas, HM2, of Security shipping over for another six on 29 January—the same day his wife Joyce gave birth to an 8 lb. girl named Cheryle Lynn. . . . Rows of mugs so neatly hung on the wall at Security that "coffee mess" seems a totally inappropriate name for it. . . . All hands looking forward to a double holiday on 22 February. . . . Carol B. Evans, HM3, of OPD getting a new ID card for Carol B. Thompson. That's who she's been since 7 September when she became the bride of Melvin L. Thompson, HM2, of the aircraft carrier Bon Homme Richard. . . . ENS Kathleen Dopke sewing on her JG stripe.

NEARLYWEDS: Patricia Garrett, HN, and Duane Bechthold, HM3, will exchange vows in the Oak Knoll Chapel on 22 February, with Chaplain Kempson officiating. Patricia is an OR Tech student, Duane a Lab Tech student.

LOCAL (Red Cross) BOY MAKES GOOD: Roosevelt Williams, 16-year-old Castlemont High student who served as a Red Cross volunteer here during his summer vacation, has been named Alameda County Boy of the Year. Roosevelt served in the ARC Lounge, Pediatrics Clinic, and on the surgical ramp.

OAKNOLLUMNI: Roger E. Lindsay, former CMAA and medical repairman now serving with the 4th Marines at MCAS, Kaneohe, Hawaii, has been promoted to Master Chief Hospital Corpsman. Serving with him is HMC R. L. Worsham, a graduate of Oak Knoll's EST School. Worsham and a shipmate were recently commended by the Marines for establishing a Brigade School's Hospital Corpsmen's Course and preparing an indoctrination curriculum for new medical and dental officers and chaplains.

DEPENDENTS WHO'VE MADE GOOD DEPT.: Stephen Wallace, 18-year-old son of Homer Wallace, power plant controlman, is a good scout! He recently qualified for one of scouting's most cherished honors—the God and Country Award. Stephen can read for only brief periods and then only by holding the reading matter close to his eyes. He survived two major operations on his heart while fulfilling the requirements that earned him his rank of Star Scout—an accomplishment unequalled by few boys with good health. Stephen is a senior at Skyline High. During the past two years he gave 150 hours of service to his church and completed other requirements for the award—including the writing of a 1000-word essay. "Scout Wallace has demonstrated a courage and determination that ought to be an inspiration to other boys with and without handicaps," his minister said in presenting him the award during a special ceremony at Faith Lutheran Church.

LIFE BEGAN on 16 January for David William Herd, 8 lb., 1 oz. son for Anthony Herd, HN, NP School, and wife Marla. . . . On 21 January for Diana Lynn Farrar, 6 lb., 4 oz., daughter for Eugene Farrar, HM2,



IT WAS GRADUATION DAY on 24 January for eight operating room technician students. Ceremonies were held on 71B, while fellow staffers and guests looked on. CAPT Charles K. Holloway, Chief of the Surgical Service; CDR Ruth M. Cohen, Chief Nurse, and CAPT L. E. Wible, Acting XO, spoke to the graduates and offered their congratulations. Graduates are, from left: Lowrie Mitchell, Cara Schleve, Albert Abrams, John Barry, Dennis Mills, Robert Wynn, honorman; Thomas Crestwell, and Larry Johnson.



HA Sharon D. Aurand was lured to the Naval recruiter as a result of a final term paper she was required to prepare before graduating from Pecatonica (Ill.) High School. The title of her report was "Environment of Service Life." It dealt with the mission and opportunities of each service. Sharon was so impressed with what she found while researching the article that she returned to the recruiting office two weeks after receiving her diploma.

After growing up on a farm, Sharon chose Navy life because it offered travel, education, and special training in a medical field.

Sharon went to Bainbridge, Md., for her "boot" training, then to Great Lakes, where she worked in the Naval Hospital as a striker. Six months later she was selected for corps school, and upon graduation was ordered to Oak Knoll—reporting here last August.

She enjoys horseback riding during off hours.

How does she like Navy life? "Just fine," she replied, "but it's quite a contrast to life on a farm with two dozen cows, 40 ponies, a pen full of hogs, and a lot of mallard ducks running about."

PRL, and wife Doris. . . . On 21 January for William Douglas James, 7 lb., 5 oz., son for David James, HN, Special Diet Kitchen, and wife Jean. . . . On 25 January for the 6 lb., 3½ oz., daughter of LCDR Lucius Harrison, MC, X-ray Service, and wife Maria. . . . On 28 January for the 7 lb., 13½ oz., daughter for Marvin Henderson, HM3, EEG Clinic, and wife Rosemary. The newest little girls were unnamed at press-time.



THIS PRIME RIB ROAST of beef and dozens of others like it will be among the many attractions at the Civil Service Anniversary Party just two weeks from tomorrow. Also on the menu will be grilled hamburger patties, steamed frankfurters, potato salad, Boston baked beans, pickled beets and onions with peas salad, relishes, crisp carrot sticks, green and ripe olives, French rolls, buns, birthday cake, and coffee. Incidentally, the fellow at right is Daniel Ross, chairman of the food committee.

Fire Chief Sez

Playing with Gasoline

Wakefield, Mass., 24 Nov. 62, 1 Killed

Two boys, ages 10 and 11, were pouring small amounts of gasoline from a 2½ gallon can onto the gravel garage floor and igniting it. The younger boy was holding the can, which contained probably a pint of gasoline when the can exploded violently, spraying the boy with blazing gasoline. He ran from the garage to the rear of the house with his clothes enveloped in flames. His screams attracted the other boy's mother, who was in the house.

The mother ran to the boy and unsuccessfully tried to extinguish the flames by rolling him on the lawn. She finally was able to put out the flames with water from an outside faucet. The boy died a short time later.

The 11 year old boy was not injured, but his mother received burns on her hands while trying to extinguish the flames. The father stated that he had frequently warned the boys not to play with the gasoline, which he kept for use in a power mower and a snow blower.

Here Are Your Ticket Salesmen

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW for the Civil Service Anniversary Party to be held at the Oak Knoll picnic area on 16 February.

GET THEM FROM:

Gus Matalas—Transportation
Sammy Carson—Food Service
Roger Rousseau and Lasso Hubbard—Public Works
Dorothy Prentice—Nursing Service & OPD

Jack Miller—Laundry
Ed Hanrahan—Fire Department

Ellie Stromberg—Steno Pool
Thelma McNeil—NP Service
Don Nunes—Finance
Gene Helmuth—Prosthetic Laboratory

Ray McDonald—Telephone Office

Lillian Dubois—Disbursing
Arlene Carlson—Pathology, Radiology, Orthopedics

Cathy Larrabee—Personnel & Records, Civilian Personnel, and Topside Ad. Bldg.

Dee Saunders—CIC
Frances Judd—Security
Claire Martini—OOD's Office
Anna Stone—Collection Agent
Paul Schultz—Carpenter Shop



TEN COMPLETE SETS OF SKIS, boots, and poles have been added to gear already on hand in Special Services and are available on a checkout basis to Knoll staffers and patients. HNs Otto Alexander, left, and Les Fisher display some of the recently purchased equipment. Most ski resorts report that they are again in business after two months of snowless slopes. Other gear on hand includes tents, sleeping bags, and air mattresses, stoves, lanterns, coolers, tables and chairs. Reservations for checkout of equipment will not be accepted; it's strictly a first come, first served program.



THESE ARE THE ONES THAT DIDN'T GET AWAY! Staffers HMC Stanley Michalski and HM2 Manuel Villaroman of Photo Arts pose proudly with two of the five striped bass that didn't get away from them during a recent outing at the Richmond ferry slip. The largest weighed 15 pounds. "It was a case of being there at the right time," said the Chief, who caught his first bass in more than a year.

Would You Like to Join Knoll Baseballers? Coach Moffett Calls First Meeting Monday

There will be a meeting of all Knollites interested in joining the 1963 baseball team in the auditorium next Monday, 4 February, at 1630. Another meeting is scheduled for the following Monday, 11 February, for those on PM duty. Ken Moffett will discuss his training program following registration on Monday.

"New" Article 15 Effective Today May Concern You

The "new" Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice, becomes effective for offenses committed today, 1 February, and from now on. It will give to commanding officers powers which equal or exceed that of a summary court-martial. Commanding officers will have increased reduction authority, the power to impose forfeiture of 7 days' pay, and an increased ability to order extra duties or to restrain closely.

The most significant effect of the new changes is the ability to correct minor offenders without resort to a trial by court-martial. Since courts-martial may result in a criminal conviction, harmful and lasting consequences follow. These convictions must be acknowledged on Federal employment applications when employment is sought from State and private employers. In addition they may be made available to police authorities upon their proper request.

It is expected that most, if not all, offenses formerly tried by summary court-martial will now be corrected without resort to court-martial. Breaches of discipline will remain a part of the offender's military record and will not follow him to civilian life; provided, of course, his service on the whole is honorable.

Another aspect of real significance is the greatly increased opportunities for a "second look" on the part of the skipper and the "second chance" on the part of the offender. These new probationary procedures are found in the power of all commanding officers to suspend, mitigate, remit, or set aside the punishment imposed. This means that offenders will be able to demonstrate their changed behavior, and commanding officers will be able to recognize that they have done so.

Greatly increased authority is being placed in the hands of skippers to improve discipline without permanently scarring the offender.

Knoll Swim Team Places in Meet

Oak Knoll's entry in the 12ND swimming competitions looked good during the meet last Friday at the NAS Alameda swimming pool.

Dr. R. J. Arthur of the NP Service took top honors in the breast-stroke event.

Knollites Abe Conrique, Finance, and Jerry Von Feldt, Nursing Service, placed in the free-style, breast-stroke and backstroke events.

Staffers wishing to join the Knoll swimming team and compete in district competitions are requested to call Dr. Arthur on Ext. 342 or contact Special Services, Ext. 595.

A Broadway playboy decided to reform. The first week he cut out cigarettes. The second week he cut out booze. The third week he cut out dames. And the fourth week, he cut out paper dolls.



PROFESSIONAL BOWLER Bill Myers was aboard on 24 January to offer tips and give an exhibition to local bowlers who hoped to raise their averages. His trip from Los Angeles was sponsored by the statewide Bowling Victory League. Knollites later had a chance to bowl a few lines under his direction to locate and correct stance, approach and general technique.

One wolf to another: Who was that cute little redhead I saw you outwit last night?

Definitions: A Wolf: A man who thinks that the best way to open a conversation is with a girl.

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AMONG THOSE PRESENT when the civilian staff holds its first big party in Oak Knoll history tomorrow will be Admiral and Mrs. Hays. Cathy Larabee sold the CO his tickets, with an assist from Aubrey Scheid, chairman of the party committee. The event—inspired by the 80th Anniversary of the founding of Civil Service—is open to all Knollites and their families.

Pay Day Schedule

Here is your schedule of pay days for the remainder of the year, as proposed by the Disbursing officer and approved by the CO.

1 March — 15 March
1 April — 16 April
1 May — 16 May — 31 May
17 June
1 July — 16 July
1 August — 16 August
2 September — 16 September
1 October — 16 October
1 November — 15 November
2 December — 16 December and 31 December.

Last Call to See Piccoli Puppets

Last call for free tickets for the Piccoli Puppet Theatre!

Because of the great demand by Knollites for additional tickets to the puppet show, Special Services has obtained an extra allowance. The tickets are ready for pickup.

The shows are presented nightly during the week in the Gold Room of Berkeley's Hotel Claremont.

Curtain time is 2030.



NOW WE'RE HEATING WITH GAS: Hewell H. Watlington (second from left) on 30 January operated the valve that began a new era for the hospital's heating system. Although the entire hospital is affected by the switch from oil to gas, these five workers are at the bottom of the entire operation. Working in three shifts, they man the plant 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They are, from left, Paul J. Drukenbrod, Clarence C. McGuirk, Victor E. Calderon, Mr. Watlington, and Charles H. Foreman. The change from oil to gas took many months, during which P. G. & E. ran its own 4-inch gas line to the heating plant. The work was accomplished by contract, through the 12ND Public Works Office with Pete Mendonca serving as local inspector. One of the major advantages of gas is that the neighborhood is now free from smoke and soot.

Knollites to Welcome Cupid With Sweetheart Dance Tomorrow Night

Knollites will celebrate the Valentine season with a Sweetheart Dance tomorrow night in the Club Tradewinds.

The doors will open at 2030 and an orchestra will play for dancing from 2100 until 0100.

A buffet will be served among heart-shaped decorations. On the menu are fried chicken, roast beef, and hickory smoked ham. A shrimp salad and the usual relishes will also be served.

The Commanding Officer has au-

thorized the sale of refreshments during the dance at reduced prices.

Dress for the Sweetheart Dance is semiformal. Ladies will be presented corsages at the entrance.

All enlisted staffers are invited to attend.

The recreation committee is making the party plans.

Also on the entertainment calendar is a combo dance scheduled for 2 March in Club Tradewinds and a gala St. Patrick's Day dance on 16 March.

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UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Military Pay Bill Now in House; Defense Asks 14.4% Average Raise

The Defense Department's proposed military pay bill provides the largest basic pay increase to those officers and enlisted men with comparatively few years in service.

This inducement to become career servicemen, for example, gives those on O-3 level with over six years' service an increase of about 17 percent to a monthly pay of \$515. The pay bill also raises an E-5 with more than three years' service from \$180 to \$220 per month, a 22 percent increase.

By contrast, a four-star admiral with more than 20 years' service would receive only a five percent pay raise and an E-7 with more than 20 years' service would get just over a seven percent hike in base pay.

Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, in a letter to Vice President Johnson, President of the Senate, and Representative John McCormack, Speaker of the House, explained the purposes of the bill and outlined the bill's provisions. The purposes sought by the bill, he said, are to: "Effect needed upward adjustments in pay rates for service members; improve the present compensation system for members of the uniformed services by correcting certain inequities; provide incentives which will help solve service manning problems and thereby increase operational effectiveness; and establish a more equitable basis for adjustment of retired pay for service members after retirement."

Provisions of the bill, as listed by the Secretary, include:

- Basic pay increases averaging 14.4 percent for officers and enlisted men.

- An increase in officers' subsistence allowances from \$47.88 to \$77 per month.

- Authority for a new system of "remote and isolated duty" pay.

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ADIOS!



Soon to leave for home in Uruguay.

New Right Arm For Raquel

A 17-year-old beauty from Uruguay who plans to make a career of beautifying others will soon be returning home with a new right arm made for her at the Prosthetic Research Laboratory.

She is Raquel Rocha, a student at Universidad del Trabajo, who lost her arm at the shoulder two years ago after being injured in a bus accident. She heard of Oak Knoll through CDR Sarandi Araujo, Uruguayan Navy flier, who came here in

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ON KEEPING LENT SERIOUSLY

The keeping of Lent is an old custom among Christian people. It dates back almost to the beginning of the Church. In the early days Christians thought they could better appreciate the meaning of the cross, if they prepared themselves through fasting. Originally the fast was appointed for one day only: Good Friday—the day Christ was crucified.

Later there came variations in the length of the period for the fast. It wasn't until the ninth century that the time of the Lenten fast was fixed as we have it now: from Ash Wednesday to Easter—forty days. It is interesting to note that the choice of the 40-day period was not made at random. It was made on the basis that the number "forty" had religious significance. Jesus was in the wilderness forty days before starting his ministry. Moses was on Mt. Sinai forty days when receiving the Commandments. The emphasis of Lent traditionally has been on the fast. In England, for example, during the Middle Ages certain foods were forbidden by church law and civil law; anyone violating the law was subject to fine and imprisonment.

Today the emphasis of Lent has shifted, particularly among many who observe the Lenten season. They are concerned not primarily about the fast but rather about the event which Lent brings to remembrance; namely the sufferings of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and his death on the cross. Thus for some, the fast may or may not have relationship to the event. Folks may give up candy, pastry, in-between-meal snacks not because of the cross but because they want to shrink an expanding waist line. Folks may give up parties not because of the cross but because they want to take time out for a much-needed rest. Folks may give up the available 57 varieties of "spectator" entertainment not because of the cross but because they want to save money.

The fast can be superficial. And if that is the motivation behind our keeping of Lent, it would be better not to bother about it. God wants us to rend our hearts, not our garments. God wants a sincere hunger of the soul, not fast. Lent is the season for deepening our religious experience. And the keeping of Lent depends not on what we refrain from doing outwardly but on what we become aware of inwardly.

After all, the question really is, what does the serious keeping of Lent involve? Here at Oak Knoll we shall all have the opportunity to answer the question during the coming Lenten season which begins with Ash Wednesday on February 27th. Lenten services will be held in our Hospital Chapel. Will you be present? **Chaplain Robert L. Keys**

Navy News Roundup

RAINCOATS ON SALE IN NX—Price cuts of from five to 15 percent have been made on a variety of items sold in Navy exchanges as a result of a recent price study conducted by the Navy Ship's Store Office in New York. In a separate move the Navy Uniform Shop in Brooklyn announced a special sale of the 16-ounce serge raincoat, optional for officers and chiefs. The \$70 raincoats are now available through exchange uniform shops for \$49.50. . . **PAY BILL TO CONGRESS**—Defense has not only sent a \$1.2 billion service pay raise to Congress. It also has hiked the eight cents a mile allowed Army and Air Force men for local use of their cars to the Navy-Marine ten-cent rate. And it is studying whether the 2000-pound limit put on household goods shipments to 17 areas may be too low. The pay bill itself has been introduced as HR 3006 by Rep. L. Mendel Rivers (D., S.C.), chairman of the House Armed Services subcommittee which will consider it. . . **POLARIS SUBS TO MED**—The United States is reported ready to send several Polaris A-sub into the Mediterranean in the next two or three months to replace the outmoded nuclear missiles based in Italy and Turkey. Thirty bases in Italy and 15 in Turkey are now equipped with liquid-fueled 1500-mile missiles. . . **ADDS TO FEW RETENSIONS**—Delay in retirement to take advantage of the new pay scales will be granted when in the best interests of the Navy, Under Secretary of the Navy Paul B. Fay Jr., says, but those applying should be sure they know what the phrase "best interests of the Navy" can involve. The Navy will consider each request on its own merits but it must also consider whether honoring the request will lead to wasteful use of personnel, require exceeding requirements for personnel in their particular category and whether there is legal authority to pay the individual if extended. . . **PEACETIME DRAFT LAW SLATED FOR EXTENSION**—The peacetime draft will probably be a part of American life for at least four more years. Authority to induct men 18½ to 26 years of age into the Armed Forces under the Universal Military Training and Service Act of 1951 is due to expire next 1 July. Reports say the President will soon request a four-year extension and the lawmakers may pass the necessary legislation.



ADIOS—GOODBYE: Raquel Rocha of Uruguay and Corbit Ray of Oak Knoll shake "hands" as she prepares to leave the hospital with her aunt, Miss Hortense Viera. Looking on is CAPT James Dineen, Chief of the Amputee Service, who supervised the fitting of Raquel's new right arm. Ray instructed her in the use of her arm.

Pretty Uruguayan An Apt Pupil

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1958 for fitting with artificial arms after losing his own in a grenade explosion.

Arrangements for Raquel's journey to Oak Knoll were made through the U.S. Embassy in Montevideo, the State Department, and the Navy Department. Funds for her travel and treatment were provided by Uruguayan sources.

In the five weeks after she was fitted with her arm and functional hand, the happy teen-ager learned to do many things with it—the everyday things such as cutting her food, turning lights on and off, opening doors, carrying a suitcase and perhaps most important of all to a future beautician, she learned to pick up and open bobby pins.

In addition to her functional hand, Raquel was provided with a cosmetic hand for occasions when beauty is of first importance, and a Robin-Aid mechanical hand that combines both beauty and usefulness.

CAPT James Dineen, recently named Chief of the Amputee Service, was responsible for the fitting of Raquel's new arm, made for her by Orthopedic Appliance Technicians at PRL. Corbit Ray, civilian instructor, "put her through her paces" daily at the OT hand training room, where she proved to be a remarkably apt pupil.

Since neither Raquel nor her aunt, Senorita Hortense Viera, who accompanied her, speaks but a few words of English, another important man in her life at Oak Knoll was Abe Conrique, HN, who served as her interpreter in addition to carrying on his duties at the Fiscal and Supply Division.

RADM Coggins Speaks Of Mass Destruction

RADM Cecil H. Coggins, MC, USN, Ret., Chief of the Medical and Health Division, California Disaster Office, will speak at the General Staff Conference today at 1300 in the Main Auditorium. His subject: "Weapons of Mass Destruction."

Dependent Son Pays Tribute To Navy MDs

A double tribute to navy doctors came in the mail this week via the Surgeon General, who added his personal "well done."

Mrs. Nancy Wodkins, 20-year-old Navy wife whose six children have been born in naval hospitals wrote: "If we were wealthy people, we could not find better care than we have received, first at Oak Knoll Naval Hospital and now at St. Albans."

Along with her thoughtful letter Mrs. Wodkins sent the following composition by her 11-year-old son Raymond, a sixth-grader at Gardner's Avenue School, Levittown, N.Y.

MY AIM IN LIFE

My aim in life is to be a Navy Medical Doctor.

I wish to be a Naval Doctor because the Naval Doctors have done very much for my family and myself. I also wish to be a doctor because I feel that the whole of humanity deserves a fair chance.

I want to be a Navy Doctor because I feel that the Navy offers a more challenging career than one out of the Naval medical schools.

To be a good doctor I would have to know the names of the many sicknesses and medicines, and when to give a certain medicine for a certain sickness.

I will never give up my studies to be a doctor.

After I become an M.D., I wish to become a surgeon and perform different operations. Some operations I would have to perform are back operations, heart operations, lung operations, and brain operations concerning brain tumors.

I know that I have many years to study ahead of me and pray that God will give me the ability and determination to reach my aim in life.

"My husband and I will do all we can to help him receive the necessary education and would indeed be proud to perhaps someday have him become the Navy doctor he wants to be," wrote Mrs. Wodkins.



Chaplain Robert L. Keys was undecided about a career after he graduated from high school in Allentown, Penna. He took a job with the traffic division of a large construction company, which lasted for five years.

He finally made up his mind that he would become a minister and started working toward his goal in Allentown's Muhlenberg College. With sheepskin in hand, he registered and was accepted to study at the Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia.

After he was ordained, Chaplain Keys was sent to northwest Florida, near Pensacola, to organize a Lutheran mission. This assignment lasted for three years. He visited the Navy recruiter in Birmingham, Alabama, one day and was quickly accepted.

Chaplain Keys was sent to the Chaplain Corps' Indoctrination School, Newport, R.I., for two months, then received orders to Oak Knoll. His office is in the Main Chapel, extension—240.

The unmarried minister's duties at this Naval hospital include visiting patients on the wards, advising servicemen and their dependents with their individual and family problems, officiating at the time of death, performing marriage ceremonies, conducting Sunday Services, and many more.

Chaplain Keys is undecided at this time about a Navy career—but then again, he's not so sure he'll return to civilian life.

Protestant Lessons Planned During Lent

A course of instruction dealing with the basic teachings of the Christian Faith and the Protestant understanding of God, Jesus Christ, the Sacraments, the Scriptures and the Church is scheduled to begin on 27 February, Ash Wednesday, and last throughout the Lenten season.

All Knollites—staffers and patients—who wish to renew their knowledge of the teachings of the Church, or those who wish to prepare for Baptism, Confirmation, or membership in the Christian Church are welcome.

Chaplam R. L. Keys will conduct the classes during six consecutive Wednesday sessions from 1930 until 2030.

Interested personnel should contact Chaplain Keys in the Main Chapel, or call him on Ext. 240 to register.

Scuttlebutt

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER: LT Lonnie C. McKee, Jr., of the Medical Service has been promoted to LCDR.

NEARLY WEDS: At a 1200 Nuptial Mass in the Chapel on 23 February HM2 Shirley Williams of X-ray will become the bride of Jude Juniphant of Pittsburg, Calif. Father Heaney will say the Mass. Nellie Mosley, HM2, of X-ray will be Shirley's maid of honor, and Judy Hamby, HM3, of OPD will be her bridesmaid. Raymond Thomas, HM2, of Security will be the best man. The couple will live in Pittsburg and commute in opposite directions—she to Oak Knoll, he to his job at Aerojet General in Sacramento.

RANDOM NOTES: Marvin Gene Henderson, HM3, of EEG Clinic has re-enlisted for another 6 . . . ENS Sharon H. Rowe has changed her name to Mrs. Milliken . . . The next Hail and Farewell Party at the O' Club is scheduled for Saturday, 23 February . . . Before Linda Matthews joined the Navy she worked in a Santa Rosa shop "selling little dresses to big women" . . . Cathy Larabee of the Record Office is the civilian staff's champion ticket seller. As of Tuesday, she had sold 68 tickets to tomorrow's Civilian Anniversary party! Incidentally, advance reservations are not necessary—come when you smell the roast beef. Adults \$2. School children of all ages 50 cents. Tots free. Twist contest from 1400 to 1445. Outdoors if the athletic field and picnic area are dry enough. Otherwise in the auditorium.

OAKNOLLUMNI: Russ Bates, former Oak Knoll star athlete and athletic director will wed Sherry Ann Canon tomorrow in Berkeley's Chapel of the Flowers. The bride is a recent graduate of Richmond High School. They'll live in Richmond, where Russ works as an electrician with P.G.&E.

LIFE BEGAN on 2 February for Tony "J" Cruz, 7 lb., 5½ ounce son for Antonio Cruz, SFC, USA, PRL, and wife Emmy . . . On 9 February for Stephen Vance Cartwright, 8 lb., 10 oz. son for Theban C. Cartwright, HM2, EST School, and wife Virgie. On 10 February for Lisa Marie Meier, 9 lb., 2½ oz. daughter for LT Gerald F. Meier, Intern, and wife Barbara.

Fire Chief Sez

"You'll be reading about me," a young TV comic told his audience the other day. "I smoke in bed." That bit of sick humor has an iota of truth in it—careless smoking is one of the top causes of home fires in the nation.

Schools hold fire drills. Businessmen who want to hold their insurance premiums down keep fire extinguishers handy in their plants. But the homeowner is apt to remain indifferent to the danger around him. Yet scarcely a week goes by without its tragic tale of lives lost.

The National Fire Protection Association finds nothing mysterious about the causes of deaths resulting from home fires. "They occur when the simple rules of safety from fire are violated—from smoking in bed, leaving children alone in the house, allowing youngsters to play with matches." A major failure is the lack of a family plan to meet a fire emergency.

Present, Proposed Pay Rates

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0-4	Proposed Present	460 400.14	490 424	525 455	525 455	535 460	560 485	560 500	630 550	630 570	630 610	630 630	630 630	630 630	630 630	630 630
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0-2	Proposed Present	305 259.36	345 291	420 360	435 370	450 380	465 395	490 415	510 435	530 450	530 450	530 450	530 450	530 450	530 450	530 450
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*While serving as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Army, Chief of Naval Operations, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Commandant of the Marine Corps or Commandant of the Coast Guard, basic pay for this grade is \$1970 regardless of years of service computed under section 205, Title 37, U.S. Code.

*While serving as a permanent professor at the U.S. Military Academy or the U.S. Air Force Academy, basic pay for this grade (0-6) is \$1165 if the officer has over 31 years of service computed under the same section and title, and \$1245 if the officer has over 36 years of service.

Lower Ranks and Rates Gain Most Under Proposed Pay Raise Plan

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ments for both officers and enlisted men in lieu of the present "sea and foreign duty" pay.

- A new system of variable career incentive payments for enlisted members which would be keyed to critical skills. This system would eventually replace the current reenlistment bonus system.

The first submarine formally authorized for the Navy was the Plunger. She had a designed complement of one officer and 6 enlisted men, was 85 feet, 3 inches long, and had an extreme beam of 11 feet, 6 inches.

In addition to these, the bill would authorize other special pays or allowances for service members under specified conditions.

For example, it would provide a special pay of \$55 per month for personnel serving in an area where there is imminent danger of exposure to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines.

Eli Whitney's last words: "Keep your cotton pickin' hands off my gin."

A psychiatrist is the last guy you talk to before you start talking to yourself.



OAK KNOLL'S NEWEST EENT technicians were graduated last Friday after six months' training and were presented their certificates by CAPT W. S. Baker Jr., XO. HN George Ryno (left) attained one of the highest scores ever made during the school's history. HN Spencer Gill was not far behind. Both corpsmen will be retained on board. LCDR Imogene Johnson, ENT instructor, was present for the ceremony, as were CAPT R. E. Lieurance, Chief of the Ophthalmology service, and CAPT L. E. Wible, Chief of ENT.



IT WAS ANYONE'S BALL when Knollite John P. Porter (#31) clashed with a Stockton opponent on the local court recently. Team-mate Gus Goanas (white jersey) was ready in case the ball broke loose. The Hilltoppers went on to win this game—and have since copped the championship title in the "B" division of the 12ND competitive games.

Know Your Staff



HN Brenda J. Brown of Exam and Treatment (67B) hails from Euclid, Ohio. After graduating from Euclid Senior High School in 1961, she joined the Waves—with the intention of breaking into the nursing field. She received her recruit training at Bainbridge, Md.

Brenda was selected to attend hospital corps school following "boot" camp and was ordered to Great Lakes for specialized training. Her first assignment following "A" school was to Oak Knoll—reporting here on 12 June 1962. Brenda was assigned to the delivery room (73B) where she worked until her recent assignment to 67B.

The eldest daughter in her family—she has a younger brother and sister—Brenda is interested in basketball and ice hockey.

When discharged in 1964, she plans to study for a nursing career "somewhere in California."

Re-Up \$\$\$ Plan Being Phased Out

The present re-enlistment bonus system will be phased out and a Career Incentive Payment system instituted if new Defense Department proposals are approved by Congress.

The military compensation bill requests authority to make career incentive payments of from \$500 to \$2400. These payments will depend upon the length of service involved and the military skill possessed by the reenlistee.

In order to qualify for this system military personnel must possess a critical skill; must enlist or reenlist or extend his enlistment for the first time in a regular component within 90 days of discharge or release from active duty for at least two years.

Service members not having a critical skill, but who otherwise qualify, would be entitled to a \$500 payment upon reenlistment, enlistment or extension for a period which, when added to the last period of active duty amounts to a total of at least six years.

A saving clause in the bill protects persons serving second or subsequent enlistments from losing money under its provisions.

20 February Deadline for Pro-Pay Nominations; Tests Begin in May

Department heads who would like to recommend career petty officers for the once-a-year proficiency pay examination must make their intentions known to the staff personnel office by 20 February.

The Navy-wide tests are held annually during the first week in May. Proficiency pay is not automatic. To draw the extra \$30 each month

Three Official Baseball Rule Changes Will Be Observed by Military Leagues

The Major Leagues' Baseball Playing Rules Committee has voted unanimously to expand baseball's strike zone. The new area reaches from the batter's knees to the shoulders. To conform with a universal set of baseball rules, all teams registered in the Twelfth Naval District's hardball league will observe the new strike zone this season.

Two other rule changes will also be in effect.

When the pitcher decides to walk a batter intentionally, he no longer will throw four outside pitches for the walk. Instead he will motion to the batter to take his base. The score book will continue to record the move as a walk.

The third rule change allows the pitcher to take only three "warm up" pitches before he faces the batter.

Knoll coach Ken Moffett says the rules were made to speed up the game. The new strike zone will give the pitcher a little more deviation in the strike zone. In the past the zone was defined as that area between the batter's armpits and the top of his knees. The new rule will also cut down the number of walks.

Moffett thinks the new rule will give finicky hitters more opportunities to swing.



Knoll Leading Sports League

Oak Knoll's athletic record looks as though it might be a repeat of last year's tally which led to presentation of the Commandant's Trophy for Athletic Excellence.

Since the district-wide competitions began Oak Knoll has chalked up:

1st Place—Football (undefeated all classes)

1st Place—Volleyball

1st Place—Basketball (5 games ahead)

2nd Place—Badminton

The 12ND Bowling teams—both men's and women's—are still active

"If you were marooned on a desert island, and could have only one book to read, what would you take?" asked the author. He addressed a glamorous redhead at a literary cocktail party.

"A tattooed sailor," snapped back the beauty.

Register Now For '63 12ND Baseball Season

Don't let all this February rain stop you from signing up with Ken Moffett for the 1963 baseball team. He's taking names now in Special Services and plans to begin his practice just as soon as the basketball season is officially over.

Practice will start soon in the Auditorium so that all players can limber their arm and leg muscles while the athletic field dries out.

Candidates are urged to register early so that uniforms can be purchased in proper sizes and quantities.

Interested Knollites may call Ken Moffett on Ext. 595.

Volleyball Team Wins District Championship

The 12ND Volleyball season has just ended—with Oak Knoll coping top honors.

To insure their trophy in the "B" division, the Hilltoppers dropped Moffett Field and Mare Island two games apiece.

Wearing the Hilltopper uniform and bringing home the bacon were Drs. Magi and Karpman, Otto Alexander, Harv Simpkins, John P. Porter, Bob Winkler, Gus Goanas, Roy Edwards and Spike Moore.

Love is the only game that is never called on account of darkness—claims Lana Turner.

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Tropical Medicine Symposium Scheduled for 14-15 March

More than 200 Armed Forces Medical Officers are expected to attend the Symposium on Tropical Medicine, which will be held at the Oak Knoll Officers' Club on 14 and 15 March.

The symposium faculty will include representatives from the University of California and Stanford Medical Schools, U.C. School of Public Health, Berkeley; the Western Communicable Disease Center Laboratory of the U.S. Public Health Service, San Francisco; and the

Navy. Each is an expert in his chosen topic, with long experience in the field.

CAPT Arthur J. Draper, Chief of Medicine, is chairman of the Symposium, and CDR Raymond Watten, Director of the Clinical Investiga-

tion Center, will discuss "Clinical Aspects of Asiatic Cholera" at the Thursday afternoon session.

The two-day series of meetings is open to all Armed Forces Medical Officers and to civilian doctors in the Bay Area.



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HERE ARE A FEW of the more than 400 who attended the civilian party on 16 February. It was the first all-staff get-together ever held by and for Oak Knoll's Civil Service workers.

More Than 400 Turn Out for Rained-in Civilian Party and Good Time Had by All

The long-awaited day of the Civilian Anniversary Party dawned under a drizzly sky that left no doubt the auditorium would have to pinch hit for the picnic area. Rows of tables were moved in and hastily covered with paper. Long-stored chairs were dusted while the crowd gathered.

At 1030 a small boy clutching his ticket emphatically announced: "It says here this is supposed to begin at 1000." That was the signal for the children's races to begin. Even toddlers were determined to enter the egg race, sack race, the straw and bean race. Prizes were laid out on a table, where the winner of each event could take his choice.

Daniel Ross and his aides trucked the food up from the O'Club galley and finished his barbecuing under an awning strung up outside the stage door. The line-up for lunch stretched nearly all the way around the auditorium, and everyone ate his fill, munching in time with the music of the Busy Bee Combo.

The twist contest that earned Wayne Alameda (Barney's son) and

Lela Mattos' daughter Linda each a bottle of back lotion (courtesy of the Pharmacy) was hardly more colorful than Rafael Jimena's Spanish dance with Ruth Ritchie.

Ribbons were presented to the "old timers," the champion commuter, most prolific parent, and other VIPs present.

Preston Hampton, his nephew, George Trayler, and friend, Joe

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TMC Baldwin, 40-Year Fleet Sailor, Packs Last Sea Bag; Retires Today

An old sea dog is setting a new course today that will take him over waters he hasn't crossed in nearly 40 years' Naval Service.

He is Chief Torpedoman Grover W. Baldwin (SS) of Boston, placed on the temporary retired list today. Removal of cataracts from both eyes in Honolulu's Tripler Army Hospital a few months ago led to his "forced retirement."

"Being separated from the Navy wasn't my idea," said the salty submariner. "My enlistment wasn't up until 1965 and I hadn't made any plans to retire even then. I'm all Navy," he added, "In my opinion there's no better place for a young man—I'm sure my heart and soul must be painted Navy blue."

Chief Baldwin became a blue-jacket on 30 June 1923 when President Harding was in office and Secretary of the Navy Wilbur headed the sea service.

"After six weeks training in Newport, I was assigned to the old coal-burning USS SAVANNAH and sailed with the Atlantic Fleet. In those days we started off at 18 or 20 dollars a month," he continued, "and marriage while in uniform was out of the question."

"Water was the most precious commodity aboard that ship—after taking a bath, brushing your teeth and doing your laundry in the same bucket, we saved the dirty water in big tubs to be used later for scrubbing sea bags and hammocks."

In 1925 he joined the crew of the S-46 (submarines were identified by



TMC Grover W. Baldwin (SS)

numbers only in the early days) which operated out of Coco Solo, Canal Zone. Two years later he joined the Pearl Harbor-based R-5.

In 1929 he sailed via the Panama Canal to New London, Conn., where his ship became a "school boat" for training prospective submariners. "Submarine pay in those days was a dollar a dive, not to exceed payment of \$15 in any one month, no

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They Huffed and They Puffed, But Their Dogs Didn't Quit

Wanting to keep in step with the times, four Oak Knoll HNs did their 50 miles last weekend, and one of them—Bob Schult, HN, from 72B—finished just 21 minutes off the record, which is currently held by a San Diego marine.

"I sure wanted to break that record," said Schult, who ran the cross-country for his high school back in Sumner, Iowa. As it was, he made it from Santa Clara to Nob Hill in 8 hours and 40 minutes.

Egged on by disc jockey Tommy Saunders, Schult and Elden Jen-

sen, also of 72B, joined the group of 2,000 teen-agers who celebrated Washington's Birthday on the highway. Only about 50 finished the trek, and the two Knollites were out in front.

"Larry Bales, HN, sacrificed his morning sleep to take us to Santa Clara by 0400, but we came back to the compound from Nob Hill by bus," said blisterless Bob. Jensen, no slouch, reached the 50-mile mark in 10½ hours.

Saturday found Frank V. Leffman, of 67B and Thomas Reid of

NP heading up the highway toward Napa. Perhaps it was their late start (they didn't get away until 0430) or the fact they didn't think it cricket to sprint while out for a walk, but it took this pair 17 hours to cover the 50 miles. Reid's mother drove them back to the hospital Sunday.

"We had a few general aches and pains," said the two hikers, "but we shouldn't have—we practiced by walking 30 miles the weekend before!"

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++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

"PRAYERS AT NOON"

More prayers are uttered in this hospital than we know, and more offered by families and friends than we imagine.

It is the hope of Christian communities, both Catholic and Protestant, that we also pray within the chapel at the appointed times for the sick and those who care for them.

During the season of Lent, on every Wednesday at noon, Protestant people, staff members and patients, are asked to pray together in the chapel. Special prayers will always be offered for those who desire our special remembrance. The Chaplains welcome your particular requests.

CHAPLAIN ROSS TROWER

Navy News Roundup

VA REMINDER—National Service Life Insurance dividends received this year or previous years are not taxable income, nor are the proceeds from such policies paid to beneficiaries, the Veterans Administration explains. However, the VA warned that interest earned by dividends, if left on deposit, is not a benefit and must be declared as income . . . **DOD OPENS ENLISTMENT TO CUBAN INVASION VETS** . . . The Defense Department has announced it will accept enlistments in the U.S. Armed Forces from Cuban veterans of the Bay of Pigs invasion—some of them for training as officers. But a spokesman emphatically denied that the invasion veterans would be used as a special unit . . . **AIRLINE OFFERS REDUCED RATES FOR SERVICEMEN**—Half-price air coach fares for military personnel on leave have been proposed to the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB) by American Airlines. Similar to leave fares now in effect on railroads and buses, the serviceman would need only to be in uniform and present copies of his orders or leave papers to purchase the ticket. The airline has asked CAB, which must approve all airline fares, to approve the plan with an effective date of 17 March. American's proposal would give the 50 per cent reduction on one-way fares as well as on round-trips. The rail and bus leave fares are limited to round-trip tickets. . . . **TV VIEWERS MAY SEE GORDON COOPER'S FLIGHT**—Television viewers may be able to see as well as hear Major Leroy Gordon Cooper as he soars through space this spring in the longest flight yet scheduled for an American astronaut, according to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Space officials announced they planned to monitor Cooper by live television aboard his Mercury capsule . . . **DOD DOESN'T RECOGNIZE ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES**—All military personnel are urged to check with their Security and Legal Office prior to purchasing liability insurance for their automobiles. Department of Defense directives require personnel to own motor vehicle liability insurance issued by an accredited company before obtaining a "base tag" on a military installation. An accredited company, one which has a license to write liability insurance in the state where the installation is located, must meet requirements outlined by DOD. The Security Officer at Oak Knoll has a list of accredited companies.

DOD OKs Release of 1,000 MDs By 1 September for Fall Term

The Defense Department has good news for more than 1,000 physicians who were brought into the service during the Berlin crisis.

Most of these officers had to leave specialty training programs to enter the service and lost credit for the time spent in those programs. To permit them to resume this training near the beginning of the residency year, those whose active duty tours end between 15

September and 1 May 1964, will be offered releases no later than 15 September.

Physicians who are otherwise obligated will not be given this release option. For example, release will not be offered to a medical officer who extended his tour in order to have his dependents accompany him overseas at government expense.

Herb: "Had some tough luck in court this morning."

Ken: "How's that?"

Herb: "I got arrested for kissing a woman and then the judge saw the woman and fined me \$10 for being drunk."

A man appeared in a newspaper office to place an ad offering \$100 for the return of his wife's pet cat.

"That's an awful high price for a cat," the clerk suggested.

"Not this one," said the man, "I drowned it."



HAPPY 80th BIRTHDAY of CIVIL SERVICE was spelled out on cake cut by Bernie Garcia, only staff member aboard who has served the hospital since the day of its commissioning, and Edna Bourdase, another "plank owner." Admiral Hays supervised the job.

400 Turn Out for CS Indoor Picnic

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Cain, just happened to have their trumpets along and "spelled" the popular combo, for which Larry Busby pounded the ivories proficiently.

Ruth Harris, wife of Food Service's Ernest, won the 10-dollar door prize, and nobody kept track of who won the series of one-dollar door prizes for children.

Tickets were purchased by and for 262 adults and 137 school children, and several dozen pre-school children added to the fun and confusion.

Aubrey Scheid was chairman of the party committee, Charles Asbelle, co-chairman. They and many other members of the staff, both military and civilian, contributed the thought, hard work, and moral support that made 16 February a day long to be remembered.

Volunteer Peace Corps Students Visit EST

Thirty members of the Peace Corps preparing for service in Panama visited the EST School here on 13 February and heard each instructor give a presentation of the type of material covered in his classes.

The trainees, who will serve as medical assistants, are studying at the U.C. School of Public Health, Berkeley. They were accompanied by Gregory Newton, PhD, Peace Corps training officer, and Dr. William W. Stiles, U.C. Professor of Public Health, who serves as a consultant for the EST School.

Fire Chief Sez

Every person is guilty of a misdeemeanor who throws from a moving vehicle any lighted cigarette, cigar, ashes, or other flaming or glowing substance, or any substance or thing which may cause a fire.

(Health and Safety Code, Sec. 13002.)



HN Alfred Siemega departed Oak Knoll for civilian life last Thursday and took with him a Commanding Officer's commendation for his outstanding contribution to Oak Knoll as senior ENT technician.

His commendation read, in part: "Your responsibilities have included training of OR technicians and the results have been outstanding. You have been responsible for care of eye instruments and have under supervision of the surgical nurse, submitted requests for additional specialized instruments when needed. In addition to your regular duties you voluntarily served as on-call watch every other night for the past year in addition to the regular section watch served by a corpsmen. Your sincere interest in the specialty, your highly retentive mind, devotion to duty and quiet genial personality have made you a very valuable member of our staff and have earned for you the respect and friendship of all your associates."

Al returned to his home in Stockton, Calif., and has enrolled in Sacramento Junior College. He plans to enter Sacramento State College next year.

Honor for Dr. Gilbert

LT Allyn E. Gilbert has been named a Fellow of the American College of Anesthesiologists.



TWENTY NEUROPSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS were graduated on 21 February following 16 weeks of training in classrooms and on the wards. Present for the ceremonies, held in Bldg. 54, were: (front row from the left)—Dr. R. J. Arthur, Assistant Chief of Service; CDR M. F. Wardell, NP Instructor; CAPT J. E. Hamill, Chief, NP Service; Admiral Hays, CAPT J. R. Dineen, guest speaker; LCDR M. V. Finn, NP Supervisor and LCDR W. J. Dickerson, Medical Officer in Charge,

NP School. Second row, same order: HNs Danny Wilson, D. W. Van Horn, W. P. Reetz, G. P. Beller, L. F. Ruibal, R. W. Herd, R. J. King, E. H. Campbell, D. J. Fullen, J. E. MacQueen, J. P. Gross, R. C. Pain, honorman and student speaker; D. W. Freund and B. L. Osman. Back row, from the left: L. R. Hurlbut, R. L. Truitt, L. R. Rousch, T. G. Lyskowski, C. B. Curtis and J. I. Lugar.

Extensions OK'd For ReUp Bonuses

A re-enlistment bonus is payable to a member of the regular Navy who voluntarily extends his enlistment for a period of two or more years, but no bonus is payable for a first extension of one year.

However, upon a second extension of one year, the two extensions will be taken together so as to constitute one extension, thereby entitling the member to a bonus for two years.

When a member has been paid a bonus for an extension of two or more years and subsequently re-extends for one or two years, the re-extension will be combined with the first extension and the bonus recomputed accordingly.

Generally it is more advantageous to a member, from a financial standpoint, to re-enlist than it is to extend.

Further details are available in Civil Readjustment, Administration Bldg.

Dr. Draper To Appear On TV Panel 11 March

Doctor's News Conference (KTVU, Channel 2 at 2120) on Monday evening, 11 March, will feature three participants in the Tropical Medicine Symposium to be held here on 14 and 15 March.

Answering the question "Are Tropical Diseases a Threat in California?" will be CAPT Arthur Draper, Oak Knoll's Chief of Medicine; Dr. Ralph Audy, Professor of Preventive Medicine, U.C. Medical Center; and Dr. Quentin M. Geiman, Professor of Preventive Medicine, Stanford University School of Medicine.

The three will be quizzed by Larry Williams, producer of the well-known television show, and two Bay Area newspaper medical writers.

NX OPTICAL SHOP

Prescriptions for your eye glasses can be filled at the Navy Exchange Optical Shop, located in the Community Service Bldg.

A wide selection of frames and all types of lenses are available.



HM2 Shirley Williams of X-ray became the bride of Jude Juniphant of Pittsburg, Calif., last Saturday in the Knoll Chapel. Chaplain Heaney said the Nuptial Mass. The Juniphants will make their home in Pittsburg.



Knollites HM3 Duane Bechtold, Lab Tech student, and HN Patricia Garrett, OR Tech student, were married on 22 February in the Knoll Chapel at 1100. Chaplain F. W. Kempson performed the ceremony. The groom's parents from Stockton attended, as did many friends of the happy couple. A reception will be held tomorrow in Stockton.

Annual Joint Crusade Drive Begins Today

Knollites are encouraged to open their hearts and wallets and donate what they can to support the Federal Services Joint Crusade and National Health Agencies during the annual drive for funds which begins today and will continue until 15 April.

Keymen have been appointed to help collect your donations. Each department and division has an authorized representative who will distribute envelopes to each member.

Ten organizations will benefit from your one contribution, and all are endorsed by President Kennedy, the Navy Department, and this command.

The drive is to support the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, the National Association for Mental Health, the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, the United Cerebral Palsy Association, Radio Free Europe, the American-Korean Foundation Fund, and the CARE Program.

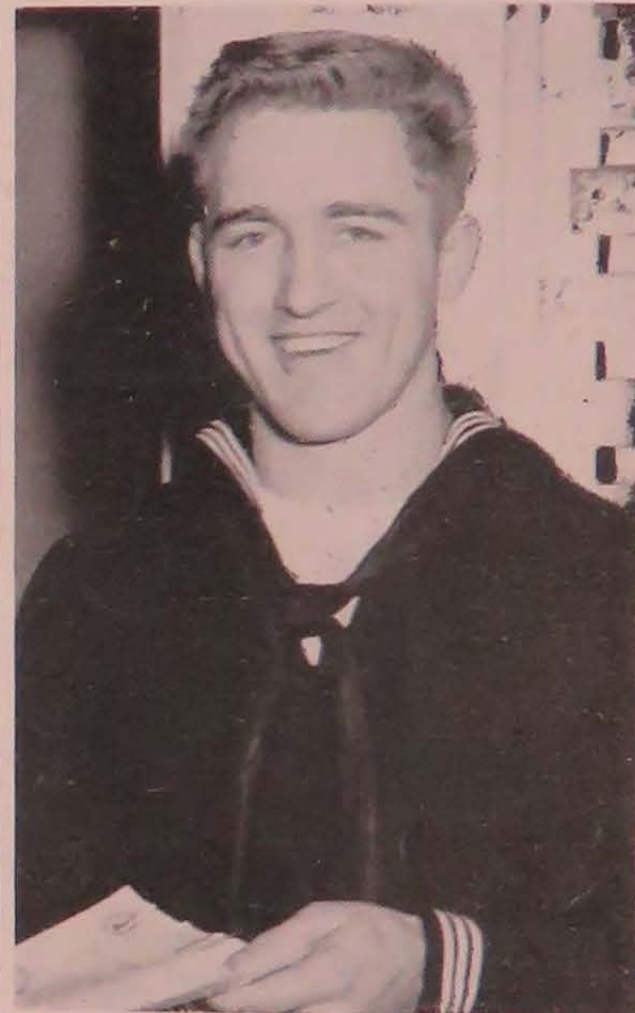
All are organizations dedicated to the welfare of all mankind.

HA Dionis Commended

John Dionis, HA, who was recently transferred to the Naval Shipyard at Mare Island, earned the CO's commendation for his service as senior corpsman on Ward 70B.

"Your management of the ward and clinic was exemplary in every respect," according to Admiral Hays' letter, which was sent to him via his new CO. "Your unfailing devotion to duty, enthusiasm for your work, and pleasing manner in dealing with people contributed a great deal to the efficiency and harmony that exist on this busy surgical ward and earned for you the friendship and respect of both patients and staff."

To remain a woman's ideal, a man must remain a bachelor.



HM3 Carol Franssen, discharged last Thursday, was presented a CO's Letter of Commendation.

The letter read, in part, "While assigned to the office of the Collection Agent from August 1961 until the present time, you have handled many complex operations with speed and accuracy. On numerous occasions you have willingly given your own time to complete the work of the department. Your friendly, courteous, and business-like manner in daily contacts with dependent and retired patients and their sponsors has earned many favorable comments from this segment of our public as well as from members of the staff."

"In addition to your exemplary performance of all tasks assigned to you, you have made an outstanding contribution to our hospital sports program—your fine sportsmanship and athletic ability earning you a place on the 12ND All-Star Football team for two consecutive years."

Dean Cook Coaches At O' Bridge Club

Dean Cook, well-known West Coast bridge teacher, is now directing Officers' Club bridge classes.

Meetings (held the first and third Fridays of each month) begin with a bridge lesson, followed by hand analysis.

Scuttlebutt

NEWLYWEDS: LT Edith V. De Dominick became the bride of LT Sidney B. Bellinger, Jr. at a quiet ceremony in Oakland on 1 February. Mrs. Robert Jackson of Santa Clara was matron of honor and LT J. L. Ragsdale served as best man. Dr. and Mrs. Bellinger, Sr., of San Jose and CAPT and Mrs. C. K. Holloway were among the guests. A champagne supper at the Treasure Island Officers' Club followed the ceremony. The couple met aboard the USNS GENERAL PATRICK in July 1960 when Dr. Bellinger was serving as the ship's medical officer and Miss De Dominick was a passenger en route to duty in Japan.

WEDDING BELLS WILL RING in Yokosuka, Japan, on 16 March for Carol Jeanne Davis, daughter of Oak Knoll's former XO, CAPT G. M. Davis, and Mrs. Davis. The bridegroom-to-be is LTJG James Edward Grise, USN. The couple will exchange vows in the Chapel of Hope, Yokosuka, and the reception will be held at the Pacific Fleet Officers' Club. The father of the bride-to-be is now CO of USNH, Yokosuka.

CONGRATULATIONS to LT Riley D. Woodson, who has sewed on his LCDR stripes, and to LTJG Marilyn E. Martin, Dorothy J. Hayes, Catherine Shyka, and Monica V. Durupt who have been promoted to LT.

CORRECTION: As someone said not long ago, the OAK LEAF gets more like a real newspaper every day. Our apologies to Hewell Watlington and Clarence McGuirt, whose identities were confused in the heating plant picture in the last OL.

RANDOM NOTES: Chris, Jerry, Pat, and Mike (Nielson, Blair, Laufenberg, and McCarthy, that is) sang folk songs last Sunday at a show presented by the Masquers of nearby College of The Holy Names, and McCarthy read his original poems. The quartet of corpsmen will perform next Sunday at Mills College—again spreading good will for the Navy . . . LTJG Marilyn Martin of the Nurse Corps has changed her name to Mrs. Dolby, and LTJG Judith Crowell is now Mrs. Wing . . . Chief Fred Munce, leading CPO at ALD, has re-enlisted for another 6 as has Donald Bower, HMI, senior PO of the Lab . . . When St. Albans News carried a report of the observance of its 20th anniversary, a photo of the CO's plaque included portraits of three former Knollites—CAPT H. G. Young, who was Chief of Surgery here in '46, CAPT H. A. Gross, XO in '53, and CAPT P. J. McNamara, XO in '59.

LIFE BEGAN on 12 February for Richard Parker Sewell, 7 lb., 4½ oz. son, for LT Richard H. Sewell, Dental Intern, and wife Peggy . . . On 23 February for Kelly Luanne Rolan, 7 lb. 6 oz. daughter, for LT Alvin C. Rolan, OB-GYN Resident, and wife Lou Ann . . . on 23 February for Jay Todd Miller, 9 lb., 8 oz. son for LT Jay H. Miller, Jr., NP Service, and wife Valery . . . on 26 February for 8 lb., 3 oz. son, for LT Donald F. Duff, NP Resident, and wife Margaret.

No matter how far chemistry advances, it will never come up with anything more dangerous than a peroxide blonde.



12ND CLASS "B" BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS gathered for this group photo in the local gymnasium just before the season ended last week. Winning the crown for Oak Knoll were, front row from left: George Lynch, John Porter, Harv Simpkins, Steve Arthuad, and Roger Edwards. Standing, same order, Coach Ken Moffett, Bob Schult, Bill Christiansen, Bob Winkler, Otto Alexander, Ken Goanos, Dick Graft and J. D. Helm. Not present were Jerry Zahn and Steve Karpman.



HM3 Kay Toth won her Physical Therapy technician's rating last week following six months' on-the-job training at Oak Knoll. She was presented her certificate by CAPT L. E. Wible, acting XO, while Dr. J. C. Honet and CDR M. D. Bates of PT looked on.

Kay has been a WAVE for the past 27 months. When discharged next December, she plans to return to her home town, Portsmouth, Va., and enter college.

CO Commendations For Two Knollites

Two Knollites received Commanding Officer's commendations last Thursday—one after completing a tour of duty in the Navy, the other just beginning.

Leaving the Navy for civilian life was HM3 David B. Minor, Jr., whose commendation read, in part, "... for the outstanding contribution you have made to the care of dependent children during your tour of duty in the Pediatric Clinic of this hospital. You have worked untiringly and often beyond assigned duty hours to keep the clinic functioning to maximal capacity. You have continually learned new skills that have aided materially in the care of patients. Your loyalty, devotion to duty, and pleasant manner in dealing with young patients and with all your associates have made you a valuable member of our hospital team."

The other recipient, HN George J. Ryno, received his commendation following graduation from EENT school. It read, in part, "... for your outstanding achievement as a student in this hospital's EENT Technic School. Upon completing the course recently, you had a 97.8 scholastic average—the highest in the history of the school. Combined with a practical performance average of 90.8, this gave you a final average of 94.3—surpassed only once by an average of 94.6. This record indicated unusual application and keen interest."

Chief Baldwin Retires Today

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matter how many times we submerged."

Until World War II Chief Baldwin's duty was in sub tenders, submarines, and destroyers. "We were aboard a 'tin can' in the North Atlantic in convoy duty when the War broke. Later I was ordered to the submarine GUARDFISH for service in the Pacific, a stop in Brisbane, Australia, and another set of orders to New London to commission a new "boat."

He again patrolled the Pacific until his transfer to the Pearl Harbor torpedo shop in 1945.

During the Korean War the chief was aboard the destroyer USS FLETCHER in the Far East, taking part in enemy action in Wonsan and Hamhung. "An enemy shell knocked off our radio antenna one night, but otherwise we came out of it clean," Chief Baldwin recalls.

While a crewmember of the USS TANG, homeported in Hawaii and operating in the western Pacific the chief started having eye trouble, was physically disqualified for submarine duty, and joined the crew of the destroyer USS O'BANNON.

Among his many medals are the expert rifle and expert pistol decorations—and a Navy Commendation medal presented by FADM Nimitz during WWII for improving torpedo efficiency and outstanding maintenance aboard the subs. "But I was actually only doing my job," he confided.

Plans for retirement include returning to Japan for his wife, Noe, completing unfinished business in the Orient, then returning to Boston to live.

Would he do it all over again? "You bet!"

About women . . . Give a woman an inch and she thinks she's a ruler.

Seabee Ball (And Queen Bee) Set For 9 March in Knoll CPO Club

Active duty enlisted Navy Seabees and their ladies are invited to the Annual SeaBee Birthday Ball at Oak Knoll's CPO Club Saturday evening, 9 March.

The party, marking the SeaBees' 21st birthday, will begin at 1830. A T-bone steak dinner will be served at 1930, with dancing from 2100. Crowning of the SeaBee

Queen, introduction of the oldest and youngest SeaBee present, SeaBee (Sea) Stories, and cutting the birthday cake will be on the program.

Price of admission is \$2.25 per person. Reservations may be made by writing Leading Chief, Public Works Dept., Bldg. 171, NAS, Alameda.



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'People Need People' Coming to Auditorium 18 March



OAK KNOLL'S CHAPLAINS were among the 70 from the 12ND who attended a dinner in the Officers' Club last Monday night to honor RADM George A. Russo, Chief of Chaplains, who will retire on 30 June. Chaplain Russo discussed his Naval career and the advancements of the corps during his tour as Chief of Chaplains. Pictured are, from the left: Chaplains Robert L. Keys, Farrell W. Kempson, William P. Lane, Knoll Senior Chaplain; RADM Russo, Ross Trower and Henry Heaney.

All Hands Invited—Curtain at 2000

"People Need People" is coming home to Oak Knoll. The play, inspired by Palo Alto psychiatrist Harry Wilmer's work at Oak Knoll's Neuropsychiatric Service in 1955-1956, will be presented in the auditorium Monday night by the Menlo Players Guild of Menlo Park. Curtain time is 2000, and all hands—patients, military and civilian staff members are invited.

More than a year ago the play, written by Hollywood's Harry Greenberg, was presented as an hour-long television feature on "Alcoa Presents." Lee Marvin played the rough, tough, emotionally disturbed Marine sergeant who is the leading character in the play. Last spring the drama group at San Quentin prison presented the play, and Marvin was there to give the actors and director a helping hand. Both Greenberg and Marvin have indicated they'll be aboard Monday night to see the play presented at the place of its origin. Dr. Wilmer, who holds the rank of captain in the Naval Reserve Medical Corps, will attend.

The play comes to Oak Knoll fresh from a four-weekend run in Menlo Park, where it won the plaudits of Peninsula and San Francisco drama critics. It is directed by H. Donald Funk and produced by Matt Lehmann. The cast includes a score of patients, doctors, nurses, and corpsmen.

"A harrowing, hopeful slice of psychiatric life" is the way one critic describes the play. "A theatrical event of engrossing interest and tremendous excitement," another called it. "My own reaction," said one reviewer, "is one of gratitude to the playwright, cast, and everyone else who helped bring 'People Need People' to life. The Menlo Players Guild is an amateur theatrical group, but I don't see how a Hollywood cast could do better."

Knoll Hosts Two-Day Medical Symposium

Oak Knoll's Tropical Medicine Symposium, which opened at the Officers' Club yesterday, continues through today, with Dr. William C. Reeves, Professor of Epidemiology at U.C. School of Public Health, moderating the morning session and Dr. Karl F. Meyer, Emeritus Professor of Tropical Medicine at U.C. Medical Center, the afternoon program.

Students to Tour Knoll 22 March

Sixty-five students from King Junior High School will tour the hospital on 22 March.

Arriving at 1400, the young "tourists" will proceed to the Red Cross Lounge, where they will divide into three groups for visits to Ward 41A, the Blood Bank, PT, OT, and Orthopedic Clinic, and a tour of the compound.

Their trip to the hospital will be a short one. King Junior High is on Mountain Boulevard across from the hospital.

Navy Dependent Tots Peril Housing Area By Playing with Fire

Fire Inspector Prola of the Oakland Fire Department has had reports of children playing with matches and starting grass fires in the Naval housing area.

Parents are required to instruct their children that dwellings in their neighborhood are very susceptible to fires. Once a fire started the old buildings would quickly catch fire, and loss of life could result.

Responsibility at the source is the rule.



Rice is the staff of life for people of the Far East. But even rice is hard to come by when you are one of a million refugees who fled from Communist China to free Hong Kong. Under the CARE Food Crusade program, rice and other foods are being distributed among the most needy of the refugees.

Anyone For Chess?

Knollites who would like to start a chess club are asked to contact Chief Michalski, photo lab, or Chief Baker, staff personnel.

They plan to arrange games and tournaments during the noon hour.

All's Green for EM St. Pat's Dance Tomorrow Night

Knollites will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a dance tomorrow night in the Auditorium.

Plans call for a seven-piece orchestra and free refreshments throughout the evening.

A buffet, consisting of fried chicken and roast beef, will be served at 2130.

Corsages will be presented to ladies at the entrance.

The auditorium will be decorated in traditional Kelly green with shamrocks, pipes, and other Irish tokens placed on the tables. Dancing will start at 2100 and continue until 0100.

NP Service to Host St. Pattie's Dance In Officers' Club

Officers and their ladies will be wearing the green in honor of Saint Pat tomorrow night at the O'Club.

Cocktails will be served from 1830, dinner from 2000. There'll be dancing from 2100 to the wee small hours.

Officers from the NP Service staff will decorate for the party and act as hosts.

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A THOUGHT FOR LENT

A record price of \$109,200.00 was paid recently for a copy of the Latin Gospels, dated 997. A New York dealer bought it at a London auction.

The book, originally printed in Germany, is 9 x 6½ inches long and consists of 168 parchment pages illuminated with biblical symbols.

Those who place such value on works of art can gain far richer treasure for themselves if they become imbued with the motivation that inspired those in the past to adorn with beauty a copy of the Gospels.

The original workers devoted painstaking effort to the long and arduous task of hand-lettering and decorating this reproduction of the Holy Scriptures.

They were sparked by an ardent yearning to render glory to God and to be instrumental in reminding their fellow men of the lasting beauty of His inspired word.

There is no better time than Lent to develop the habit of reading a daily passage from the Holy Bible and then do something to apply its changeless message to changing our lives for the better.

CHAPLAIN H. V. HEANEY

Navy News Roundup

GROUP PUSHES EM RETENTION—A new "task force" has been created in the Bureau of Naval Personnel to tackle what has been called the Navy's No. 1 personnel problem—keeping the best qualified enlisted people in uniform. Composed of members from all BuPers divisions directly concerned with the problem, the new group, which is called a permanent board for review of enlisted retention programs, will meet at least every two months. Its job will be to see how effective present retention programs are and to suggest ways in which incentives now on the books can be better used to beat the retention problem . . . **MORE**

THAN 8,000 CONSIDERED FOR NROTC—More than 8,000 of the 20,000 young men who took the qualifying examination for the NROTC have attained scores high enough to merit consideration for fall 1963 enrollment. About 1,600 selected candidates will be appointed Midshipmen and enrolled next September in 52 of the country's leading colleges and universities. The Navy will pay for all educational expenses including textbooks and, in addition, the Midshipmen will receive retainer pay at the rate of \$50 per month . . . **MAY CPO PROMOTIONS SEEN MATCH-**

ING TOTAL OF LAST YEAR—Roughly the same number of chiefs but slightly fewer petty officers in the lower grades will be promoted this coming May than last year, if the latest BuPers planning statistics hold up. This is a slight change from the picture presented before the February tests took place, when it appeared there would be a sag in the number of new chiefs made from this year's exams. May promotions are estimated as: HMC—200; HM1—300; HM2—500 and HM3—1,000. To DTC—None on 16 May, maybe a few later; DT1—30; DT2—32 and DT3—101. The early estimates call for about 29,000 new E-4s; 14,500 new E-5s, and more than 6,500 new E-6s. Total CPO promotions should be about 8,000 . . . **MORE ON**

HALF-FARE FOR SERVICEMEN—American Airlines has announced that servicemen do not have to surrender a copy of their leave papers when purchasing special half-fare jet coach tickets. American's proposed pay slash goes into effect on Sunday. However, the serviceman must be in uniform and sign a statement that they are on authorized leave. And, effective 29 March, Western Airlines will fly servicemen at 50 percent of jet coach fares. Subject to CAB approval, the Western plan provides for half-fare seats on domestic flights on a space-available basis . . .

LCDR H. G. Armitage Retires After 28 Years

LCDR H. G. Armitage, MSC, became a civilian on 27 February after 28 years of active duty. He had served as Chief of the Special Services Division since coming here from the Station Hospital, El Toro, Calif., in early November.

LCDR Armitage's last Navy assignment was to speak at an MSC Officers' luncheon on the day of his departure. He discussed his experiences in the organization of the Medical Service Corps Division

in BuMed when CAPT Willard C. Calkins became the first Chief of the Corps. LCDR Armitage served in the Bureau from 1954-57.

At the luncheon he received his retirement certificate from CDR L. H. Joslin, Administrative Officer.

LCDR Armitage and his wife Vivian left for a visit with relatives in Phoenix, Ariz., but they will return to California to make their home.

Scuttlebutt

"THAT'S OUR SON—We're his parents." "I work with his dad." "I've known Ed's mother ever since he was a kid." "Look at that form." "He's as graceful as a ballet dancer."

These and other similar remarks were heard in television rooms about town Saturday night while Ed Bourdase was on TV, bowling his way to \$1,000 and the lead over 23 other participants in Championship Bowling. His total pinfall in six games is 1365. The top prize in the tournament is \$10,000. The program, taped earlier, came from Winston-Salem, N.C. The same afternoon in Birmingham, Ala., Ed was busy bowling his way to \$1200 on Professional Bowlers' Tour — another televised tournament that will take Edna and Henry's son to 17 U. S. cities. There's a chance it will bring him to local TV screens tomorrow—if he qualifies. Ninety-six of the nation's top bowlers began play last night. This number will be pared down to 16 by tomorrow morning. The top four will compete for prizes of \$5,000, 2,500, 1,500, and 1,250 tomorrow afternoon at 1530 (Channel 7).

Before Ed went professional he was a mechanic with the American Machine and Foundry Co. He began bowling in 1951 and last year grossed \$17,000 in prize money.

SIGHTS & SOUNDS — *The bold E brick and stone EST that marks the T*

bank near—you guessed it—the Environmental Sanitation School . . . the inspiration of HMCS Russell Levy . . . Local wags accusing Captain Draper of getting EST to "plant" that dead rat with bubonic plague in the Marina District of San Francisco to advertise the Tropical Medicine Symposium now in progress . . . People furrowing their brows over the thought of income tax—that unpopular institution which incidentally, was 50 years old on 25 February . . . Berkeley Elks' Mr. Wigginton delivering his regular quota of pocket books and magazines for Oak Knoll patients . . . New Red Cross Gray Ladies looking anything but gray as they go about their duties on the wards . . . Mr. Lind and his Special Services Crew readying the stage for Monday night's performance of "People Need People" . . . Spring bustin' out all over, though it's not supposed to arrive until 21 March . . .

CONGRATULATIONS to the Knoll's most junior junior grade lieutenants — Jack W. Smith, Herbert D. Pearson, Marvin D. Lind, Lester R. Funderburk, Jr. — all of MSC.

ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN HERE—and it did to Hugh Curry, HN, of the Premie Nursery. Hugh, assigned to escort duty that took him to Pierz, Minn., not far from his home in Eau Claire, Wis., took 15 days' leave, happily planning to surprise his parents. He asked Disbursing to mail his check home. It got there before he did, and his mother, thinking it had been sent by mistake, promptly put it in a shoebox (so it wouldn't get lost) and mailed it back to him at Oak



For the first time in the history of the sea service Navy designated lawyers (1625s) are being assigned to certain Naval hospital staffs, and one of them reported to Oak Knoll this week as Legal Adviser. He is LTJG Augustine J. Belton of New York City.

A Navyman since last August LTJG Belton was graduated from Fordham University with a B.S. degree in 1959 and from the University of Virginia Law School where he earned his LLB in 1960. He is a member of the Virginia and American Bar Associations.

Entering the Navy to travel and broaden his experience, LTJG Belton was sent to OCS, then to the Naval School of Justice, Newport R. I., before driving cross-country to his first duty assignment.

Several members of his graduating class were also assigned to Naval hospitals on both coasts. He estimates that the Navy now has about 500 lawyers on active duty.

This is his first trip to the West coast and when he gets "settled" he'll be taking advantage of the local golf course, the tennis court, swimming, salmon fishing, during his off-duty hours.

While a student he accompanied his parents during three summer vacation trips to Europe. During his Navy stint he hopes to visit the Far East.

CAPT Lebherz Tells Bay Area GYN Group Of Cancer Research

CAPT Thomas B. Lebherz, Chief of OB-GYN, spoke Tuesday evening to members of the San Francisco Gynecological Society. His subject was "Adjunctive Chemotherapy in Cancer of the Ovary." This study was the preliminary work from BuMed authorized research project in which Dr. Lebherz engaged a USNH, Bethesda.

Knoll. How he financed those 15 days at home, the OAK LEAF did not determine.

LIFE BEGAN on 26 February for Patricia Lynne Mulligan, 8 lb 5½ oz. daughter, for LCDR William P. Mulligan, Ophthalmologist Service, and wife Penelope.



EIGHT RED CROSS Gray Ladies were capped Wednesday night, 6 March, in the Red Cross Lounge. The annual ceremony began at 2000 when the recipients were escorted to their seats by representatives of various Red Cross chapters. Present for the ceremony were, seated from the left: Mrs. Wilbur Kalter, Oak Knoll Gray Lady Coordinator; Admiral Hays, CO;

Miss Joan Mathews, Knoll ARC Director; Miss Anna Mahoney, Executive Director, ARC Berkeley Chapter; Chaplain Farrell W. Kempson and CDR Ruth Cohen. Capped, were, from left: Miss Donna Nisson, Mrs. John Daymude, Miss Norma Hansen, Mrs. George Mucks, Miss Linda Bergen, Miss Sally Shaw, Mrs. William Moldenshardt and Mrs. Burton Filut.



A Commanding Officer's Commendation and a Medical Photography technician's rating were presented to HM2 Manuel R. Villaroman of Photo Arts last week. He won his technician's rating after six months' on-the-job training performing all types of medical photography.

His commendation read, in part: "The Commanding Officer takes pleasure in commending you for your outstanding services to the Photographic Arts Department of this Hospital. Throughout your period of training, your work has been of consistently high caliber. Your motivation for photographic work, your willingness to give your own time to see a job through to successful completion, and your pleasant manner in dealing with personnel of all rates and ranks have contributed a great deal to the effectiveness of this busy department."

"A recent assignment involving preparation of photographs, both gross and microscopic, for publication as a part of the professional paper being prepared by the Clinical Investigation Center and the Department of Pathology merited special praise from the Chief of Pathology."

Eleven Civilians Win Safe Driving Commendations

Eleven civilian staffers who devote at least 51 percent of their working time to driving, have received Navy Department Safe Driving Awards in recognition of outstanding safety records.

To be eligible for such an award, the employee must drive twelve consecutive months without a preventable accident or accidents costing the Navy \$25 or more and without a moving traffic violation or safety rule violation.

Wallet certificates and lapel emblems were given to Henry Bourdase for 14 years of safe driving; Irving Coombs, 12; Wilson Carter, 11; George Hunter, 11; Charles Dyson, 10; Glarence La Fleur, 9; Willie Adams, 7; Jay Jackson, 7; Ernest Ticknor, 7; Dan Freitas, 3; and Leroy Phanor, 2.

PO1s Must Pass E-7 Exam for LDO Rank

The Bureau of Personnel has announced a change in the application, examination and selection schedule for the Integration and Limited Duty Officer (Temporary) Programs along with a change in the eligibility requirements for first class petty officers participating in the LDO program.

The eligibility requirements for the LDO program are being modified to include a technical test for all first class petty officers. It is expected that the annual E-7 advancement exam will be used as the technical test. PO1s will be required to pass that examination each year to be eligible for the LDO program.

In cases where first class petty officers are candidates for both LDO and chief petty officer, the test will suffice for both programs.

Full details are outlined in BuPers 1120.18H, Supplement 1, 11 January 1963.



HM3 Victor B. Vieyra checked out of Oak Knoll last week and was transferred to the aircraft carrier USS CORAL SEA for duty. A Knollite for the past two years, Vic received a Commanding Officer's commendation for his work in the Physical Therapy department.

His commendation read, in part: "You have taken an extremely active interest in patients assigned to you, making intelligent observations regarding their treatment and thereby speeding their recovery."

"On numerous occasions you have volunteered to give your off-duty time to provide emergency treatment, particularly for patients suffering from burns. Your technical skill and devotion to duty have helped promote efficiency and harmony in the department and have earned for you the respect of all your associates."

"The Commanding Officer extends to you his personal thanks for a job well done, with best wishes for continued success in your new assignment."

HM2 Thomas Enters TV Talent Contest

Security's Raymond Thomas will appear on the Ben Alexander Show Saturday evening, 23 March (KTVU, Channel 2, at 1900).

The young HM2, who was the top vocalist in last November's 12ND Talent contest, will sing "Moon River."



DURING A RECENT TOUR to the Swift Meat Packing House in San Francisco, EST Students witnessed the entire process—from slaughtering the animals to packaging bacon, cold cuts, smoked ham, etc. A Public Health Inspector (left) is checking a freshly killed steer to determine if the animal was diseased. Looking on, from the left, are: HMC Fernando Sanciangco, HMC Margarito Martinez, HMCS Warren Perry, USCG; HM1 San Cho Yu, ROK Navy, and HMC Charles K. Love.



HILLTOPPER HARV SIMKINS beats out an infield hit during a recent practice game with Castlemont High School. The Hilltoppers are playing a series of preseason games with local schools to improve their teamwork and proficiency on the diamond. First game of the 1962 12ND Military League will be played at Oak Knoll against NAD Concord on 2 April.

12ND League Baseball Program Set; Seven Games to be Played at Knoll

Twelfth Naval District Special Services has announced the 1963 Armed Forces baseball schedule. Oak Knoll's team will play 14 league games—seven home and seven away contests.

The Presidio of San Francisco (6th Army headquarters) has entered a team in the Navy league for the first time.

HOME GAMES

2 April	Naval Ammunition Depot, Concord
9 April	Presidio of S.F.
11 April	NAS Moffett Field
18 April	Treasure Island
30 April	Naval Shipyard, Mare Island
9 May	Coast Guard
16 May	Naval Supply Center

AWAY GAMES

4 April	Naval Shipyard, Mare Island
16 April	Coast Guard at Government Island
23 April	Naval Supply Center
25 April	Naval Ammunition Depot, Concord
2 May	Presidio of S.F.
7 May	NAS Moffett Field
14 May	Treasure Island

An invitational tournament will be played at NAS Moffett Field on 20 and 24 May.

All 12ND league games begin at 1500.

Chabot Green Fees to Be Paid by Oak Knoll

Effective 1 April Special Services will pick up the tab for green fees at nearby Lake Chabot Golf Course.

This service is open to all hands, both patients and staffers.

All you've got to do is check in beforehand with Special Services and pick up a chit. When you deliver this chit to the Chabot pro shop, you'll be ready to tee off without paying any fees.

And if you don't own your own golf clubs, don't fret. Special Services has purchased several sets—available to you on a checkout basis.

Fire Chief Sez

HOW FIRES IN THE HOME START

The seven principal hazards in the home are listed below in the order of their frequency.

1. Matches and careless smoking.
2. Defective heating apparatus.
3. Misuse of electricity.
4. Hot ashes and coals.
5. Defective chimneys.
6. Kitchen hazards.
7. Mishandling of flammable liquids.

Tips: Wages that we pay other people's help.

Sports Cards to be Purchased for Many Spring Games

Special Services announces plans to purchase a number of Spring Sports Cards that will be available to all Knollites on a checkout basis.

With these cards you'll be able to attend 29 baseball games, including eight CIBA games and a game against the San Francisco Giant Rookies.

Also you'll gain free admission to six home track and field meets, including the Big Meet—CAL vs. UCLA, and a triangular with San Jose State and Arizona State. Sophomore Dave Archibold of San Jose, who runs the 440 in 46.3 will compete against Arizona State's AUU champion Ullis Williams, whose record time is 45.8.

There are ten home rugby matches on Cal's schedule including two matches against the University of British Columbia and single matches against Stanford, USC, and UCLA.

Tickets also include five home crew races on the Oakland Estuary; the gymnastics team, which is going for its fifth consecutive undefeated season, and other outstanding teams and individuals, plus full schedules in boxing, wrestling, tennis, swimming and golf.

This program of events will round out the most complete inter-collegiate spring sports program in the nation.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Special Services, Ext. 595 or 593.

New Fishing Tackle Ready for Check Out

Good news for fishing enthusiasts.

Special Services has recently purchased 14 new fresh water spinning rods and seven Mitchell reels for use by Knollites.

The new tackle is in addition to the many salt and fresh water fishing outfits already in Special Services' stock.

All hands at Oak Knoll are entitled and encouraged to use the facilities provided for recreation by the command.

Fishing tackle can be checked out for weekends or leave periods. You must, however, have a valid California fishing license in your possession.

Top 12ND Bowlers to Roll Off on 17 April

The 12ND Men's and Women's bowling playoffs will be held in Westlake Bowl, Daly City, on 17, 18 and 19 April.

To qualify, men must have a 170 average for 21 or more games. Women must have a 125 average to qualify.

The playoffs cover an 18-game series in increments of six games during the three-day period.

Eligible contestants must notify Special Services by 31 March to register.

Talent Needed For 12ND Games Can You Qualify

Candidates are sought by Special Services to represent Oak Knoll in several 12ND athletic competitions.

Any Knollite who would like to join the handball team, take part in the track and field events, or be a member of the table tennis or golf teams should register with the athletic director, Ext. 595.

The table tennis playoffs for men will be held at the Alameda Coast Guard base on 26 April. The women's playoffs for the district title will be held on 7 May at Treasure Island. Both events begin at 1830. Four candidates will be selected for the singles, and two doubles teams will compete.

Ken Moffett is still accepting names for his 1963 Hilltopper basketball team. Report for practice at working day on the local athletic field.

Know Your Staff



HN Roy Brown of staff personnel joined the Navy after graduating from South Point (Ohio) High School. Before visiting his Navy recruiter in Ashland, Kentucky, Roy worked for a short time in a local restaurant.

Desiring a more liberal education—with travel—he signed on the dotted line and went to boot camp and corps school in San Diego.

Reporting here in February 1961, Roy was assigned to the Coalinga ward, 50A, where he worked for the next eleven months. One month ago he was assigned to his present job.

He is currently undergoing on-the-job training for his administrative technician's rating—a one-year training period.

During high school days Roy won letters in track, football and basketball. He plans to join the Knoll Hilltopper football team next season.

In staff personnel he handles official correspondence, is assigned general filing and typing assignments and helps to maintain military service records of the staff.



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Easter Services In The Chapel

PROTESTANT

Palm Sunday

1030—Divine Service.
1200—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—Prayers in the Chapel.

Maundy Thursday

2000—Holy Communion. Anniversary of the Institution of the Lord's Supper. Chaplain Keys, Celebrant.

Good Friday

1200-1300—A Service of Tenebrae. Lessons, prayers and hymns. Chaplains Trower and Kempson will read the Lessons, Chaplain Keys will serve as Liturgist.

Easter Sunday

0730—Holy Communion.
1030—Divine Service.

CATHOLIC

Palm Sunday

0830—Blessing and distribution of the Palms, followed by Mass.

Holy Thursday

1700—Mass in Main Chapel, followed by Solemn Procession to the Repository in Small Chapel. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Small Chapel following Mass until Midnight.

Good Friday

1700—Solemn Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Our Lord—Main Chapel, followed by Adoration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

Holy Saturday

2315—Solemn Liturgy of the Easter Vigil, Main Chapel, followed by High Mass at midnight. The Midnight High Mass fulfills the obligation of attending Mass on Easter.

Easter Sunday

0830—Easter Mass.
1215—Easter Mass.

O' Wives Schedule SF Theater Party

"Take Her, She's Mine," now playing on Geary Street, San Francisco, will be the destination for Officers' Wives who board the bus at the Club at 1315, Wednesday, 10 April.

Mrs. A. R. Chappelka (Ext. 408) is selling tickets for \$4.75, including the bus ride.

The nursery will be open until the matinee-going mothers return to claim their children.

Tropical Medicine Symposium 'A Success'



AMONG THE MANY who contributed their time and knowledge to the Tropical Medicine Symposium were, from left above, Dr. Mario Giaquinto, Chief Epidemiologist, Division of Infectious Diseases, World Health Organization, and Visiting Professor of Tropical Medicine at University of California; Dr. James H. Thompson, Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine, Dr. Donald Heyneman, Associate Research Parasitologist, and Dr. J. Ralph Audy, Professor of Tropical Medicine, all of U.C. Medical Center. Below: Dr. Bruce W. Hudson, Biochemist, San Francisco Field Station, Communicable Disease Center Laboratory, U.S. Public Health Service; Dr. Edward K. Markell, Clinical Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine, Stanford University School of Medicine; CAPT Arthur J. Draper, Oak Knoll's Chief of Medicine; and CDR Raymond H. Watten, Director of this hospital's Clinical Investigation Center.

32 E-2s to Sew HN Stripes Monday

Thirty-two staff HAs will be advanced to Hospitalman (E-3) on Monday after successfully passing the locally administered examination last week in I & E.

Advanced from Nursing Service are T. C. Miyahira, P. F. Clark, L. C. Sleight, G. P. Feeley, L. L. Reiter, D. B. King, R. Brady, R. L. Dryden, H. L. Hoppel, J. L. Decore, E. L. Sewell, I. H. Suhmann, C. L. Guthmiller and T. L. Plisco.

Honor for Dr. Clark

CAPT Gale Clark, Chief of the Neurosurgical Service, received an invitation to attend the Space, Science, and Urban Life Conference which is now in session at the Dunsmuir House, Oakland.

O' Bridge Club

The next meeting of the Bridge Club will be at 1930, 29 March, in the Mikado Room, Officers' Club.

Also sewing on new stripes are J. L. Roberson, M. N. Young, J. B. Graham, B. Newcomb, S. L. Wallace, M. P. Dalin, H. P. Carache, B. Robbins, D. L. Apperson, G. A. Vesely, S. L. Smith, D. T. Butler, M. D. Colom and C. A. Carpenter.

NP students promoted are D. E. Peterson, C. L. Edwards and D. P. McConnell.

Terry L. Joler of the Chest Clinic will also be advanced.

EMs Schedule '20s Party on 30 March

Staff enlisted personnel will enjoy a "Roaring Twenties" night in Club Tradewinds on 30 March.

Dress for the Saturday night dance is casual—preferably reminiscent of the 1920s.

Free refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

A combo will play dance music from 2100 until 0100.

More Than 200 Doctors Attend Two-Day Talks

The Tropical Medicine Symposium is all over but the transcribing of 23 lectures presented by experts in the field and tape-recorded for future reference.

Two hundred nine persons, many of them Navy Medical Corps Reservists from the Bay Area, attended the sessions, which were so successful that many registrants expressed the hope that it will become an annual event.

Malaria, filariasis, leptospirosis, amebiasis, Asiatic cholera, leprosy and plague were only a few of the diseases studied during the two-day symposium on 14-15 March.

CAPT Arthur J. Draper, Oak Knoll's Chief of Medicine, was chairman of the symposium. ENS John H. Gannon, I & E Officer, served as Dr. Draper's administrative assistant for the event.

Sessions were moderated by Dr. J. Ralph Audy, Professor of Tropical Medicine, U.C. Medical Center; Dr. Quentin M. Geiman, Professor of Preventive Medicine, Stanford University School of Medicine; Dr. William C. Reeves, Professor of Epidemiology, U.C. School of Public Health, Berkeley; and Dr. Karl F. Meyer, Emeritus Professor of Tropical Medicine, U.C.

Traveling farthest to attend the symposium was CAPT Roy W. Tandy, DMO, Thirteenth Naval District, who formerly was Chief of OB-GYN at Oak Knoll.

Only Four HM1s On '63 CPO List

Four Knollites received word last week that they were selected for promotion to Chief Petty Officer.

EST instructor Don L. Hansen will don his hard hat in September, PT's William O. Weiss Jr., and Medical Repair's Floyd A. Gracie will be promoted in November and Stephen H. L. Au, of the Main Lab, turns in his neckerchief next January.

Three Stripes for Two

Oak Knoll has two new three-strippers this week. They are CDRs Mack E. Allison, Jr., of Neurology and William J. Babalis of the Medical Service.

The Oak Leaf

U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, California.
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CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Morning Worship.....1030
 Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses.....0830 1215
 Daily Mass.....1200 in small chapel
 Confessions.....Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
 Novena.....Tuesday after 1200 Mass

Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.

Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

Navy News Roundup

NAVY SCHEDULES EIGHTH COMIC CARTOON CONTEST—The Navy has announced its eighth All-Navy Comic Cartoon Contest which is open to all active duty Navy personnel and their dependents. Rules for the contest were announced in BuPers Notice 1700, describing the type and size of cartoons, those eligible and statements which must accompany entries. The first five winners will receive appropriate awards furnished by the Chief of Naval Personnel and their cartoons will be published in All Hands magazine. . . . **YOUNG FATHERS GET 3A DRAFT EXEMPTION**—President Kennedy has signed an executive order which will shift virtually all draft-eligible fathers from Class 1A to 3A. Exceptions to the executive order are doctors, dentists and veterinarians, who will remain in Class 1A even if they are fathers, providing they meet the physical qualifications. In announcing the executive order Pierre Salinger, White House press secretary, noted that the Selective Service board is able to fill its monthly draft quotas without tapping fathers. Under the new rule the chances of a 3A draft prospect actually being inducted are far less than those classified 1A. . . . **PENTAGON OPPOSES NEW "Q" ALLOTMENT**—Pentagon personnel officials are prepared to oppose a North Carolina Congressman's request that the old "Q" allotment system be restored for non-commissioned and petty officers. The Services, lawmakers and the Defense Department have received a large number of letters—"several thousand" is one estimate—complaining that military family bills are not being met since the mandatory allotment system for support of dependents ended. The Defense Department's position is that the matter of "Q" allotments was thoroughly considered by Defense and Congress when the issue came up in relation to the quarters raise bill last year. When that bill became effective on 1 January the automatic allotment to the families of servicemen ended. Now the allotments are sent only on the approval of the sponsor who can choose the amount of his quarters and basic pay he wishes to send home. . . .

Military Invited To Passover Seder

Jewish personnel will observe the Passover Festival from sunset Monday, 8 April, through sunset Tuesday, 16 April. The first two days and the last two days are observed with special services in the synagogue and in the home.

The Passover (Seder dinner) Festival will be held in the Bay Area the first night on Monday, 8 April. All Jewish personnel and their dependents are cordially invited.

For reservations call Market 1-0231, or write the National Jewish Welfare Board, 1017 Market St., San Francisco.



More than 750,000 needy Mexican school children like this youngster are now receiving a daily CARE lunch of milk and bread under a special country-wide school feeding program. Your donations to CARE help feed starving people throughout the world.



Know Your Staff



HM2 William L. Robinson of the Main Lab joined the Navy in January, 1955, in Norman, Oklahoma. Having been a Reserve since 1951 he omitted "boot" camp and was ordered directly to Corps School, San Diego.

He reported to Oak Knoll in July 1955, and worked on the wards until January, 1957, when he was assigned to the aircraft carrier USS HORNET. Fifteen months later he transferred to the USS BENNINGTON. Both carriers operated out of west coast homeports and deployed to the Far East.

Bill returned to Oak Knoll one year later for Lab School. Upon graduation he was retained on board. In May he will attend class "B" school in San Diego.

In this picture he is setting up cross-match of a blood specimen in the Blood Bank.

Five Civil Service Workers Cited by CO

Rose Cooper, Dependents Outpatient Service secretary, received a Sustained Superior Performance Award when she reported to the CO's March meeting with civilian supervisors. Also honored were four Food Service employees who have rounded out 20 years' service. They are Pinkie Orr, Ira Jones, Roy Rountree, and William Collier.

LCDR Wells Tells County Nurses Group Of Far East Research

LCDR W. H. Wells, MSC, spoke last week to the Alameda County Chapter of Catholic Nurses at St. Rose Hospital, Hayward, on "New Medical Research in the Far East."

The EST instructor, though pinching for Captain Lawlor, is well qualified to discuss this subject since he spent three years at NARU 2 in Taipei, Taiwan before coming to Oak Knoll. He earlier had two tours of duty at the Navy Medical Research Unit in Cairo, Egypt.



EIGHT NEW OPERATING ROOM technicians were presented their certificates following six months' on-the-job training. Designated "techs" were, from the left: HN Robert Dayton, HM3 Sue Hubbard and HN Peter Welty. Present for the ceremony were LCDR A. M. Rothermell, OR Supervisor; CAPT C. K. Holloway, Chief of Surgery, and LCDR B. A. McKay. Also graduating were HNs Patricia Garrett, Michael Martinez, Alfred Narcesse, Dennis Schoff and Herbert Hammond. HNs Garrett and Welty will be retained on board.

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Menlo Players Guild Brings NP Story to Oak Knoll

Realistic Acting Helps Tell Story Of Local Therapy

Seldom has a program of any kind had the impact on an Oak Knoll audience that "People Need People" had when the Menlo Players Guild brought it to the local stage Monday night, 18 March.

The play, "born" on Oak Knoll's Neuropsychiatric Service when Dr. Harry Wilmer was on active duty here in 1955-56, is that kind of play. And the Menlo Players, performing before a nearly full house, were skillful.

It is not the intent of this small paper to review the play (for it is well known here) or judge the actors, but it would be difficult to refer to the play at all without praising the work of Val Moore, who played the psychotic Sergeant Hughes so convincingly, or of Ed McKinnon, who played Chief Driscoll and gave as realistic a portrayal of the DTs as anyone would want to see. Moore served in the Marine Corps himself and McKinnon was once a Navy Chief. The "patients" who made up a large part of the cast, studied films taken on the admission ward at Oak Knoll to prepare for their roles.

The props (regulation navy beds and night stands) and costumes (mostly hospital pajamas and robes) were authentic. They were from Oak Knoll.

A high spot of the evening came after the final "curtain" when Admiral Hays introduced Dr. Wilmer, the man whose work here inspired the play. Dr. Wilmer spoke of his pleasure in coming "home" to Oak Knoll, of his intense interest in the play, which earned many nominations for the television Emmy award and earned Author Henry Greenberg a State Mental Health Award. Mr. Greenberg spoke briefly and introduced Lee Marvin, who came from Hollywood to see the play in which he starred in the television version.

When the drama group at San Quentin produced the play several months ago, Marvin was there to offer assistance and watch the performance.



A convincing young actor named Jones (Glen Battle) and the disapproving LT Pennock (Umberto Ricci) are at a safe distance when SGT Hughes requires the quieting influence of Dr. Wilmer, Nurse Green (Barbara Herold), and two corpsmen.



"PEOPLE NEED PEOPLE" PERSONALITIES—(1) Two versions of the psychotic Sergeant Hughes met at Oak Knoll. They are Val Moore, Lockheed engineer, who gave a fine portrayal of the difficult role when the Menlo Players brought the play here on 18 March, and Lee Marvin, TV tough guy, who starred in the television version. (2) In this candid, the photographer caught Janet Gordon, costume supervisor; former Navy chief Ed McKinnon, (Chief Driscoll); Matt Lehman, producer of the play; and Eddie Adams, corpsman. (3) Marietta Schmidt (Nurse Barbara), Jack Schmidt (CDR Wilmer) Author Henry Greenberg, Lee Marvin, Matt Lehman, Val Moore, and Al Huff (the CO), and patients wait for the bus to take them back to Menlo Park. (4) Author Greenberg, Actors Marvin and Hughes, Dr. Harry Wilmer, Palo Alto psychiatrist, whose "therapeutic community" at Oak Knoll inspired the play.

Fire Chief Sez

WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

In a public building . . . a theater, store, at work, school or a hotel . . . it may happen to you.

A scream or smell of smoke can create panic—a crushing rush for safety that can block your escape. Keep cool.

Avoid the crowd, look for alternate fire exits. If smoke thickens, stay low, close to the floor. If lights go out, follow along a wall until you feel a doorway. If your escape is blocked, close doors behind you to hold back fire—lean out a window. Wait for rescue . . . jumping from upper floors is a risky last resort.

Do you check for fire exits when entering buildings?

European Tour Departs Bay Area 20 May To Visit 8 Countries

The departure date for the Alameda Santa Clara County Federal Employees European Tour has been changed to 20 May.

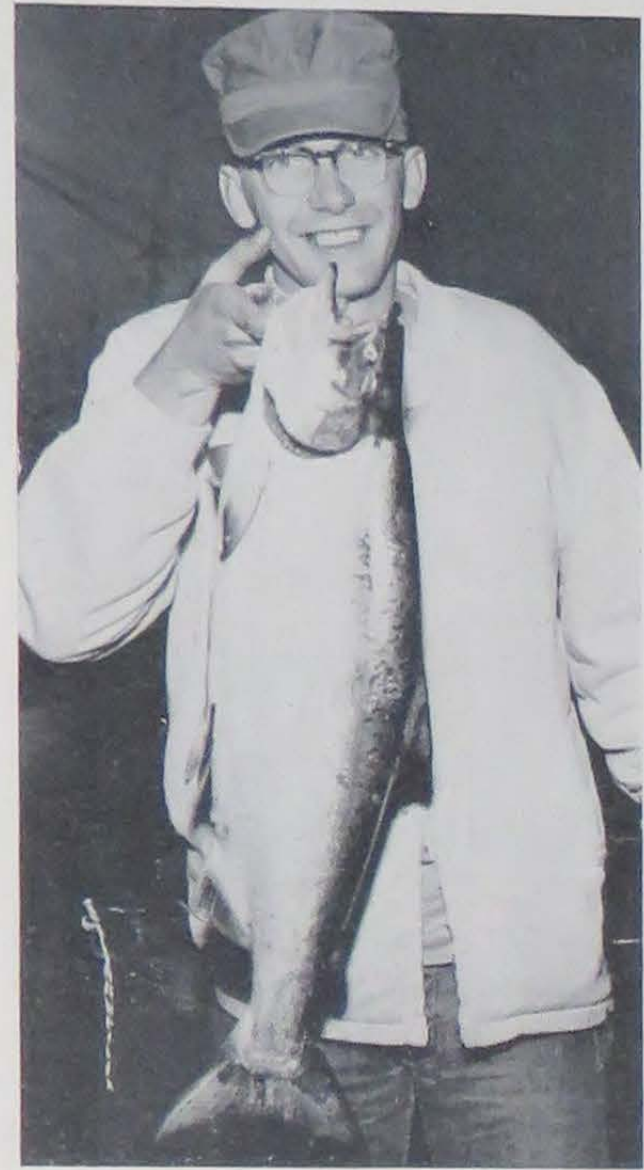
The tour leaves San Francisco Airport on a 707 jet, refueling in Canada, then flying direct to London. Departure for the return trip is from Paris on 12 June. Cost of the

tour is \$795 for transportation, meals, hotel rooms (based on two to a room), side tours, visits to eight European countries, including Germany, Switzerland, Italy, France, and England. Roundtrip fare for the chartered flight only is \$399.

The last dinner meeting before departure will be on Friday, 5

April, at Sabella's Capri Room, Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco. A social hour will start at 1830, followed by dinner. For plane and/or dinner reservations call Miss Allen—OL 2-6634, evenings, Sundays, and Mondays, or write her at 6616 Woodland Place, Oakland.

20 Knollites Take to the Sea in Search of King Salmon



HM3 Mike Moran of the CIC Animal Lab proudly exhibits his 12-lb. salmon caught during last Sunday's fishing trip sponsored by Special Services. The salmon took Mike's bait while trolling off the Farallon Islands.

Special Services Saves Us Many \$\$ During the Year

Special Services picked up the tab for more than twenty Knollites who went Salmon fishing last Sunday.

To show you (in dollars) how much service personnel can save by taking advantage of Navy-sponsored programs, the Oak Leaf uses this recent trip as an example.

Supposing, as a civilian, you decided one day to go salmon fishing. How much is it going to cost?

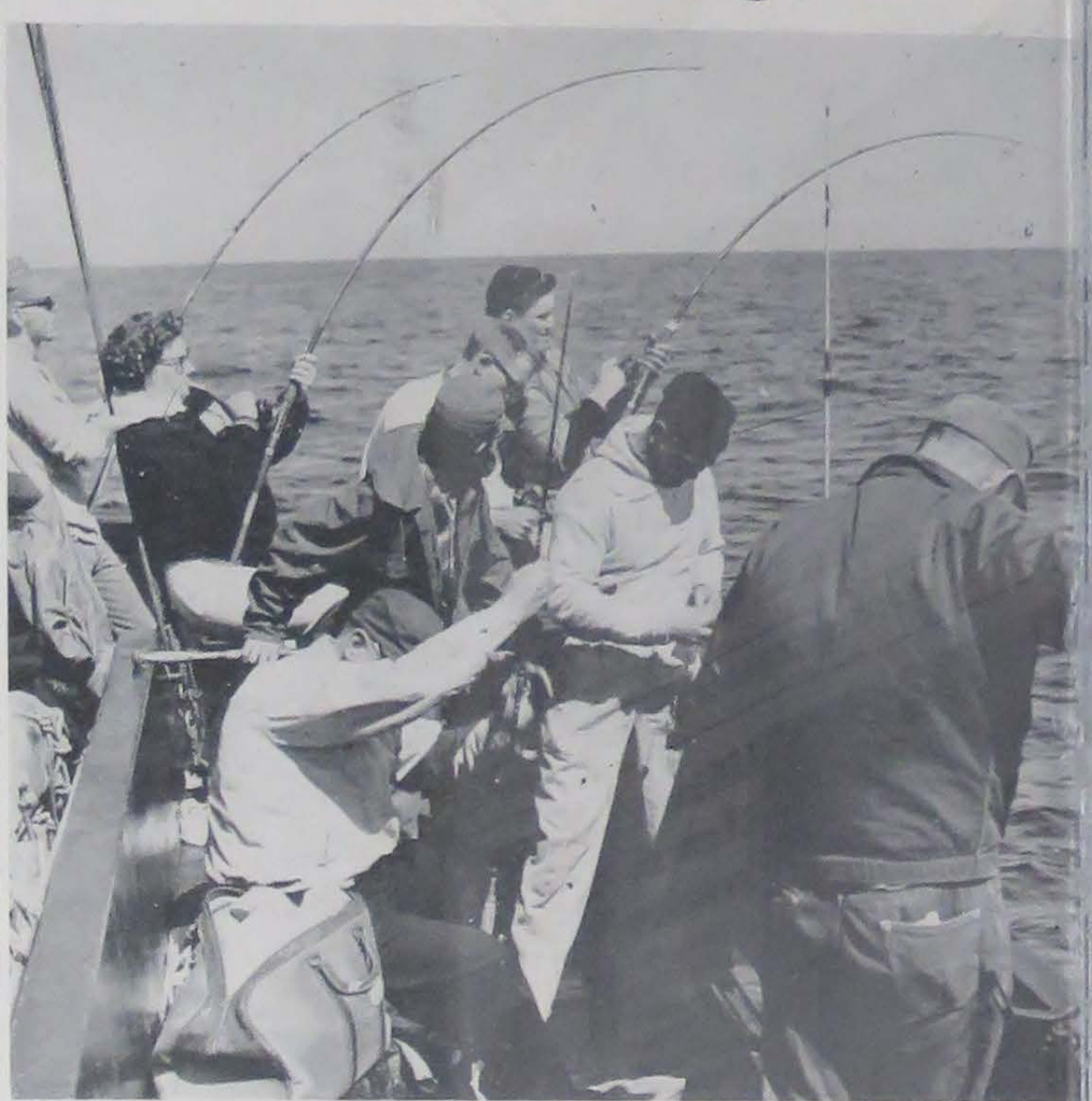
Fishing license	\$ 3 00
Party boat fee	\$10 00
Tackle rental	\$ 2 00
Leaders	50c ea.
Sinker release	50c ea.
Sinkers (3 lb.)	50c ea.

(You lose one each time a fish strikes).

Quick baiter with hook	50c ea.
Cost so far:	\$17 00.

You still have to buy your own bait and lures, lunch, and other refreshments.

Multiply this by the number of concerts, ball games, tours, dances, stage shows and other special events made available by Special Services, and you can easily see that Knollites can realize hundreds of dollars in savings—just by being in uniform.



THREE KNOLLITES hooked into fish simultaneously off the Farallon Islands last Sunday. They were among the 20-odd staffers who were aboard the Privateer II at 0500 last Sunday for a day of cruising and trolling. Special Services made all the arrangements, furnished the tackle and picked up the tab. More than one hundred pounds of fish were caught during the trip.



A LITTLE RAIN (and light hail) didn't prevent Oak Knoll's corps of Waves from looking sharp during last Saturday morning's personnel inspection. LT L. M. Rooney presented the corpswaves in dress blues to CDR L. H. Joslin, Administrative Officer, just after the rains came.



DRESS BLUES AND SHINED SHOES was the order of the day during last week's personnel inspection when Oak Knoll's enlisted members assembled outside the Administration Bldg. CDR L. H. Joslin reviewed the troops and rated the overall inspection "excellent."

Desk . . . A wastebasket w
drawers.

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A fat lady stepped on the scale not knowing they were out of order. The indicator stopped at 7 pounds.

"Holy smoke," exclaimed a drum who watched her. "She's hollow"

* * *

"When a fight starts I always of my best."

"What's your best?"

"A hundred yards in 10 seconds"

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HOLLYWOOD STARLETS Erika Peters (left) and Jo Morrow toured Oak Knoll last week and visited many patients on the local wards. While on 62B they chatted with HM1 Harry Kalebjian (far left) and GySgt Ray Sundquist, who were only too willing to interrupt their Scrabble game to talk to the beauties.

Knoll Navy Wives Meet Wednesday; Invites Extended

With a new meeting time (first and third Wednesdays of each month) and a new group of officers, the Oak Knoll Navy Wives' Club is beginning a new year of activities of interest to the enlisted man's wife.

Carol Warnes was installed as president at the club's March meeting. Assisting her as secretary is Bertelle DeVille. Diana Luoma will serve as treasurer, and Mary Paddie is the club chaplain. Mrs. Roy Brown, wife of the Assistant Chief of Medicine, is the club's sponsor.

The next social meeting will be Wednesday, 17 April, at 2000 in the clubroom (Second Deck—Building 25).

Wives of all Oak Knoll enlisted men are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

DAV Invites Staff, Patients, to Annual Variety Show Tonight

Staffers and patients are invited to the annual Disabled American Veterans' "Shower of Stars" variety show tonight in the Oakland Auditorium theater.

The show features Al King and his 12-piece orchestra, a great selection of comedy, dancers, singers, acrobats, tumblers and Hawaiian entertainers.

Anyone desiring tickets or additional information should contact Special Services, or dial Ext. 595.

Easter Services In The Chapel

PROTESTANT

Good Friday

1200-1300—A Service of Tenebrae. Lessons, prayers and hymns. Chaplains Trower and Kempson will read the Lessons, Chaplain Keys will serve as Liturgist.

Easter Sunday

0730—Holy Communion.
1030—Divine Service.

CATHOLIC

Good Friday

1700—Solemn Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Our Lord—Main Chapel, followed by Adoration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

Holy Saturday

2015—Solemn Liturgy of the Easter Vigil, Main Chapel, followed by High Mass at midnight. The Midnight High Mass fulfills the obligation of attending Mass on Easter.

Easter Sunday

0830—Easter Mass.
1215—Easter Mass.

RATES Are In! 42 Knollites to Sew New Crows

The rates finally came in!

After many hours of study preparing for the February fleet-wide petty officer examinations, the Bureau authorized 42 Knollites to sew on new crowns.

Only three were selected for first class petty officer; five will be upped to E-5; and 34 will sew on crowns for the first time.

Promoted to E-6 on 16 May will be Norberto B. Banez, William H. Ford and Walter E. Hatch.

New second class petty officers will be Arthur R. Bowman, James W. Ray, Larry K. Shaw, Fred L. Hicks and George E. Lynch.

Advanced to third class petty officer will be Thomas F. Armosino, Ronald S. Ateman, Gail P. Beller, Brenda J. Brown, Jon C. Corlett, Richard L. Crumb, Gordon H. Dallas, Jerry J. Davenport, John J. Dunsmore, Sandy R. Ehlers, George H. Hicks, Les T. Fisher, Ted R. Rieze and Fred G. Gebhardt.

Also promoted will be Thomas A. Reid, George J. Ryno, Cara J. Schleve, James M. Gibson, Leslie L. Harris, Neil M. Jenkins, Clifford A. Johnson, Larry D. Johnston, Andrew A. Johnson, Leslie V. Metts and Simon Navarro.

Also, Robert J. Pierce, Dean B. Ramsey, Jerry A. Stevens, Irvin A. Trimmer, Thomas M. Turner and Craig A. Walstead.

Promoted to MA 3 will be Mary A. Capaldi and Phyllis M. Olds.

CNO Anderson Encourages Navy To Read More

National Library Week will be observed officially by all military installations during 21-27 April this year.

Library week highlights a continuing year-round program to foster a better-read, better-informed America.

Admiral George W. Anderson, Chief of Naval Operations, made this statement relative to National Library Week:

"We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish . . ."

"Such is the trust placed in us by
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CAPT Viola Sanders, USN

WAVE Director Gives Knollites Progress Report

CAPT VIOLA SANDERS, USN, Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Women, toured the Bay Area last week. She visited Oak Knoll and addressed the WAVES during a meeting in their quarters.

CAPT Sanders discussed leadership and recruiting and told the WAVES that they are the "cream of the crop" of those who sought enlistment. She went on to disclose several uniform changes and stressed athletics—sports that could be learned while in service and carried back to civilian life. Among these she favors swimming, golf, tennis and bowling.

Before leaving Oak Knoll CAPT Sanders addressed the staff officers who deal directly with Knoll Corps-waves following a luncheon in the Officers' Club.



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++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++



Tenebrae Service For Protestants In Main Chapel Today at 1200

The Protestant Community will gather in the Main Chapel at 1200 today for a single, but moving devotional service centering on the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Tenebrae, as this service is called, is traditionally an evening service in the Church. It consists primarily of hymns, lessons, psalms, and prayers concerning the Passion Story or

Biblical account of Christ's last week on earth.

During this unusual service the fifteen burning candles on the altar are extinguished one by one to signify the darkness that came over the world. Only one light, however, is left burning at the end of the service—the light of God's love.

Navy News Roundup

1350 DOCTORS FACE DRAFT IN JULY, AUGUST—The Defense Department has announced that 1350 physicians will be drafted into the Army, Navy and Air Force in July and August. The Pentagon said the move was necessary because not enough medical-school graduates have volunteered for active duty immediately after their internship. The Army will draw 800, the Navy 250, and the Air Force 300 . . . **THERE'S TOO MUCH TALK IN THE SENATE**, or at least Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) is of that opinion. The Minnesota Senator has come up with a proposal for an eardrum-saving change in the rules. It is a short cut on the kind of speeches that are made with only a few other Senators on hand. Instead of delivering the speech, a Senator would merely motion to a page boy to take the text to the clerk for insertion in the Congressional Record . . . **GI INSURANCE TROUBLE TRACED TO BENEFICIARY**—Nearly half of the holders of GI insurance policies had errors of some kind in beneficiary listings, a recent VA survey showed. One-third of the errors discovered were caused by the failure of policyholders to make necessary changes in their major beneficiary designations. In too many cases, the VA said, the serviceman or veteran fails to change his beneficiary when he gets married or remarried, or has children. This can result in someone other than those he desires getting the insurance benefits in case of his death . . . **1 OCTOBER PAY DATE THREATENS**

—The curtain of silence about the military pay bill has lifted a bit. And more details of Defense's new plans for proficiency pay also are coming to light. A key House Republican, Representative Bob Wilson (Calif.) told Navy Times he is going to fight for most of the improvements added to the pay bill by the Rivers House Armed Services Subcommittee—but not for an effective date earlier than 1 October. Most House Republicans have stated they want both a delayed effective date and reductions in basic provisions. All signs thus point to the 1 October effective date originally proposed by the Administration.



ACROSS THE PACIFIC in Yokosuka, Japan, a marriage of special interest at Oak Knoll took place on 16 March. The pretty brunette bride was Jeanne Davis, daughter of CAPT and Mrs. George M. Davis. The bridegroom was LTJG James Edward Grise, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Marshall of Little Rock, Ark.

Jeanne attended William Woods Christian College for Women, Fulton, Mo., and San Jose State College. Her husband is a 1959 graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, now serving as Chief Engineer on board the destroyer USS DUNCAN, based in Yokosuka.

Jeanne was given in marriage by her father, who has been in command of USNH, Yokosuka, since last July. He previously had served as Chief of Medicine and then as Exec at Oak Knoll.

The newlyweds, after cutting their cake at a reception at the Yokosuka Officers' Club, motored to Kyoto and Kobe for their honeymoon.

A well-known conductor recently took his orchestra on tour and during his travels received the following note from a well-meaning person in one of his audiences: "I think it only fair to inform you that the man in your orchestra who blows the instrument that pulls in and out only played during the brief intervals when you were looking at him."

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Child to father: How can I learn the value of a dollar when my allowance is only fifty cents?



There's A Book In Crew's Library For Every Need

In the spring of 1958, the slogan "Wake up and read!" was first heard through the nation, and the first National Library Week was observed. This year between April 21 and April 27, National Library Week celebrates its sixth anniversary. No country in the world is the user of books and libraries more encouraged, and in few countries is the opportunity for reading so taken for granted.

For those who have grown up with books, it is hard to conceive of a more satisfactory companion. More tractable than a wife, a book will solace and entertain when you wish; it can be put aside when you find it tedious, banished forever if it bores you. It can be railed at and it will not answer back. Nor does it demand your exclusive attention. On the contrary, nothing better suits the purpose of a good book than its ability to sharpen your appreciation for other books, and the more it has widened your reading horizon, the better it has served its purpose.

There are books for every need: the books, good or bad, that reach the best seller list and make for conversation at the cocktail party. There are books to sharpen your present skills and to help you acquire new ones. There are books that teach hobbies and broaden the horizons of the retired, the handicapped, and the bedridden.

And perhaps, most important of all, in these times of political tensions, books can transcend man-made barriers—be they physical walls or psychological curtains, and help us know the people on the other side. Only through knowledge can we gain understanding.

Reading is your fifth freedom—enjoy it!

Emmy Berger,
Crew's Librarian

Suzy Schmitt Is Serving in Flood Disaster Area

Suzy Schmitt, Oak Knoll's Recreation Director, took off suddenly on 16 March to serve in the Kentucky West Virginia disaster area, where floods had destroyed or damaged homes of thousands of persons.

Miss Schmitt, assigned to an office in the "cold, damp basement" of the Methodist Church in Williamson West Va., reports that there is still much to be done for homeless families.

"Navy Chief Robert Charles, who served in San Jose and knows Oak Knoll, was flooded out of his recruiting office in the Williamson Post Office, and he and his wife have been serving daily as Red Cross volunteers. We have deeply appreciated this help from the Navy," Miss Schmitt wrote.

The real test of a modern product is whether it will last longer than the installment payments on it.

Scuttlebutt

SIGHTS & SOUNDS: LCDR Mary Montague of the Nurse Corps basking in the Hawaiian sunshine (and showers) after riding out to the island state with Navy dependents traveling aboard the USS BEXAR . . . Manuel Reyes, SDI, shipping over for another four . . . People trying a little harder to keep the compound clean—to match the rain-washed hills and sky . . . Rock 'n Roll winning over HM2 Raymond Thomas' "Moon River" on the Ben Alexander show ("But I've had a lot of offers since," Ray reported happily) . . . The freeway inching closer to Oak Knoll, while beautiful trees on the route are converted to firewood . . . Ye editor and photographer hobnobbing with another well-known photographer during the recent symposium—the Chronicle's Joe (Flag Raising on Iwo Jima) Rosenthal . . .

SOMETHING TO SING ABOUT: Dr. Song, Korean Navy doctor here for training in cardiology, is the father of a baby son, born in Seoul on 19 March. The baby weighed 3.2 kilograms (about 6½ pounds) and will be called Joon. "That means 'glorious,'" the proud father revealed as he passed the cigars in true American tradition.

AN ACORN CLUSTER from the OAK LEAF to the FIG LEAF for its March headline announcing that Captain Hamill would be guest speaker at the Officers' Wives' Club—"Beware the IDS OF MARCH!"

WEDDING BELLS WILL RING in Hayward tomorrow for Beverly Ann Huber, daughter of CDR and Mrs. Melvin P. Huber, and John Theodore Lucas, Jr. The wedding will take place in the First Methodist Church with a reception following at the Oak Knoll Officers' Club. Among those attending will be many Knollites who have known Beverly since 1950 when her father reported for his first tour of duty here. He was AO for several years prior to his retirement 31 December 1961.

LIFE BEGAN on 12 March for Mark Darrel Patten, 8 lb., 1 oz. son for Daniel Patten, HN, Neurosurgery, and wife Judy . . . On 13 March for Susanna Marie Hardenstein, 6 lb., 12½ oz. daughter for Gerald Hardenstein, HM2, Ortho. X-ray, and wife Sueno . . . On 2 April for Kelly Jo Blackwell, 9 lb., 4 oz. daughter for Joseph Blackwell, HN, of Physical Therapy, and wife Geraldine . . . On 3 April for Catherine Marie Lewis, 7 lb., 9 oz. daughter for Dennis Lewis, HN, Diet Kitchen, and wife Sherrell . . . On 3 April for Eileen Joyce Guevara, 7 lb., 6½ oz. daughter for Albert Guevara, HM1, Blood Bank, and wife Alma . . . On 4 April for Robin Marie Bristol, 6 lb., 2 oz. daughter for Robert Bristol, HM2, CPO Club, and wife Georgia . . . On 4 April for Carrie Anne Easley, 7 lb., 1 oz. daughter for Leslie Easley, HM2, CIC, and wife Rhoda . . . On 4 April for Sherman Berongoy Dean, 7 lb., 11½ oz. son for Herman Dean, DT2, Dental Clinic,



LETTERS OF APPRECIATION signed by Admiral Hays were presented to five Knollites by CAPT W. S. Baker Jr., for their outstanding service on 69A. Recipients were (from the left): HNs Robert J. Pearce, Ronnie L. Sarti, Thomas A. Christensen, Richard L. Crumb and HM3 Robert B. Winkler. Looking on is LT Patricia A. Wise, ward nurse. The letters read, in part, "... for your outstanding service in caring for LCDR Leroy A. Lankford, USN, Retired, during the twelve months preceding his death. The critically ill patient required constant, intensive care, which you provided efficiently and cheerfully. On many occasions you remained on duty after hours to ensure that everything possible was done for the patient's comfort. Your many selfless deeds, without regard to the time spent or the unpleasantness of the task, were a source of satisfaction to the command, a comfort to the patient's wife and an inspiration to fellow staff members." Jack L. Alexander, HN, not present for picture, also received a letter of appreciation.

Recorded Concerts in Library on Wednesday

Music, Anyone? The Crew's Library has begun a series of Wednesday noon record concerts from 1200 to 1300.

During other library hours, the stereo record player and records may be used with ear phones.

CNO Anderson's Library Message

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the founders of our great Nation. To fulfill this trust we must be knowledgeable, free-thinking, well-versed apostles of our way of life. The gateway to this level of intellectual awareness is through the frequent use of our libraries, whether they be large or small, ashore or afloat. Knowledge obtained through reading contributes to resourceful leadership, a quality which we as leaders of the free world cannot afford to relinquish. It is my sincere hope that each and every Navy man will take full advantage of the wealth of broadening information which is available through the library. Know your heritage, and never let it be lost."

Two hipsters stood watching the Lady Godiva pageant in Coventry, England. One turned to the other and asked, "Man, what stable is that chick riding for?"

The other answered without taking his eyes off the spectacle, "I dunno, but dig those crazy silks!"

and wife Solita . . . On 6 April for Debra Lynn Menges, 7 lb., 7½ oz. daughter for LT Paul Menges, Dental Service, and wife Lee . . . On 8 April for Neil Cardew-Fanning, 6 lb., 10 oz. son, for William Fanning, HMC, of NPRL.

Fire Chief Sez

FIRE AND CLEANUP

Every 12 minutes a home in this nation is destroyed or damaged by a fire starting in rubbish, according to National Fire Protection Association records.

The three storage areas of the home—attic, basement and closets—are the spots where 16.4% of all dwelling fires originate. About 550,000 U.S. homes are hit by fire each year, and over 6,000 persons—30% of them children—die in these fires.

Last year Americans burned up more than \$1.5 billion worth of property in over two million fires

HAVEN Sets Sail, Well, Almost . . .

Those who have served aboard the USS HAVEN will be interested to know that the hospital ship has gone on her first "cruise" in nearly six years—two miles to a nearby shipyard, where she will undergo overhaul for the next three months. She'll return to Pier 7, U. S. Naval Station, Long Beach, to continue fulfilling her mission as a naval hospital until the new permanent hospital is constructed in that area.

The HAVEN is in the unique position of having two distinct commands—CAPT Shakeeb Ede, MC, USN, is in command of the Naval Hospital in the HAVEN, and LT J. M. Reid is the Officer in Charge of the ship itself.



RADM WENDELL G. SCOTT MC, USNR, (center) toured Oak Knoll's Radiology Service last week and conferred with Admiral Hays and CAPT L. E. Watters, Chief of Service. Admiral Scott, serving his annual two-week tour of active duty, is a consultant to the Surgeon General. He was observing and evaluating the training and operating techniques employed in Oak Knoll's Radiology department. The visiting Admiral is a Professor of Radiology at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. Before returning to BuMed he visited Naval Hospital, San Diego, for comparative studies.



HM2 Gus Verweibe was presented his Occupational Therapy technician's certificate last week by CAPT W. S. Baker Jr., XO, following more than one year of on the job training.

A Navyman since March 1954, Gus was assigned to Operating Services before being assigned to OT. A Knollite since December 1960, he came to the Bay Area from duty with the 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif.



HM3 John Evans was presented his Physical Therapy technician's certificate following 40-weeks on-the-job training.

The native of Denver, Colo., joined the Navy in June, 1960, and received his recruit and hospital corps training in San Diego.

He reported to Oak Knoll in February 1961 and had been assigned to Pediatrics for 18 months before being assigned to PT. He is currently working in the Exercise room.

When discharged in June 1964, John plans to follow a career in the medical field.

Addressing a group of senior citizens, the speaker exhorted, "The time has come when we must get rid of socialism, communism and anarchism . . ."

From the rear of the hall a voice bellowed: "Let's throw out rheumatism, too."

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What this country really needs is a car with brakes that will stop the car behind.

Hilltopper Team Idle During 1st Two 12ND Games

Coach Moffett is concerned.

Since the on-again, off-again rains began several weeks ago, his 1963 Hilltopper baseball team has been idle.

Their only contest in the 12ND Military hardball league was an away encounter with Naval Shipyard, Mare Island. The local team dropped that game 9 to 5.

Both home games had to be cancelled because of poor playing conditions.

Makeup games during the season will be with Naval Ammunition Depot, Concord, and the Army Presidio nine of San Francisco.

Both games will be played on the local athletic field.

Coach Moffett, however, is still looking for baseball players who have had experience in high school, college or military leagues. You may call him on Ext. 595, or see him personally any weeknight after normal working hours on the baseball diamond.

BOWLING NEWS



Summer Bowlers Sign Now For League Play

Knollites are encouraged to sign up now for the summer bowling leagues to be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Tentative plans call for a military men's handicap and an Oak Knoll mixed (civilian-military) handicap league.

Make your intentions known by dialing Ext. 592, or sign up personally at the local bowling lanes.

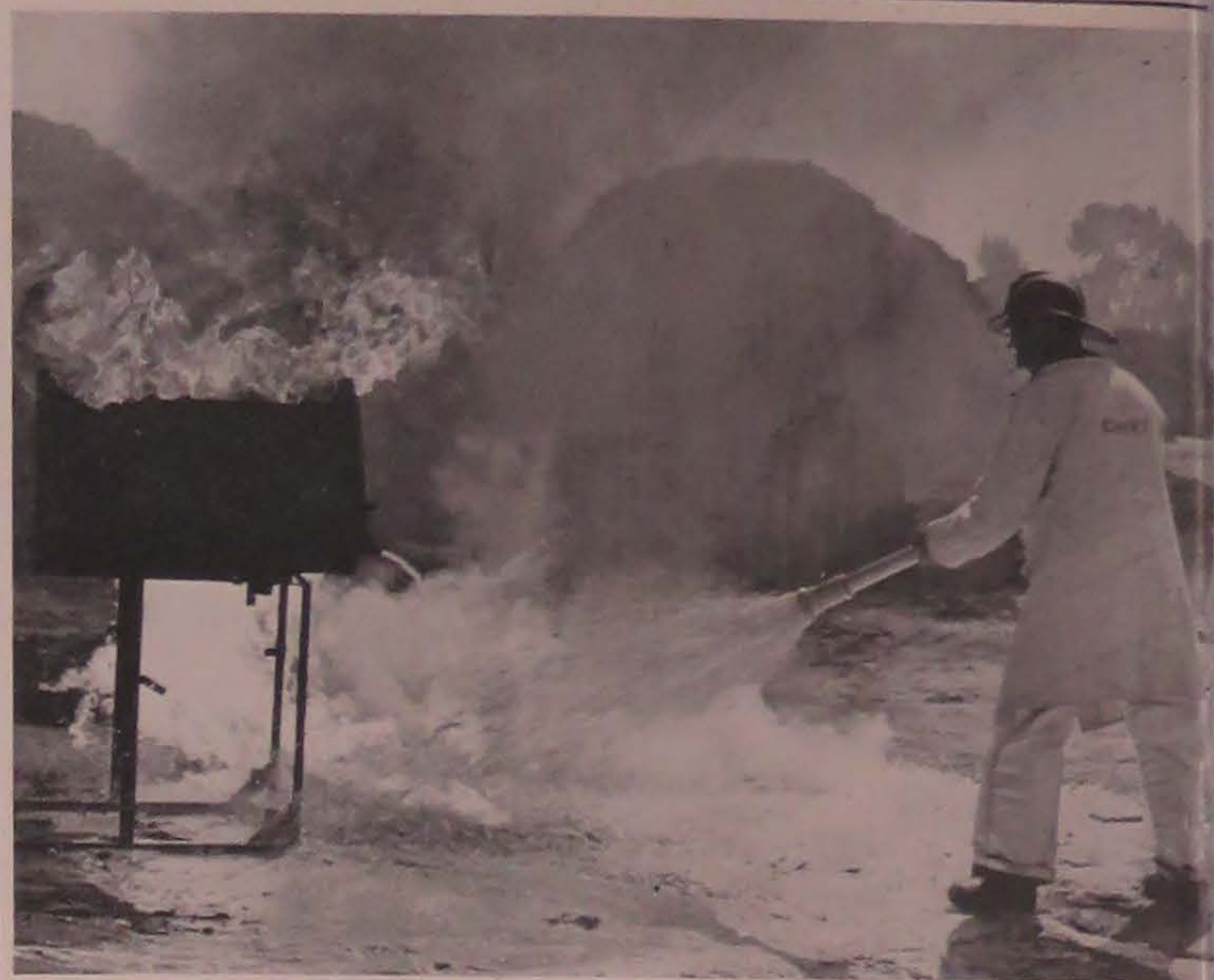
CHP Warns Motorists Of Faulty Readings With Oversize Tires

Installation of oversize tires on a car can result in faulty speedometer readings, California Highway Patrol Commissioner Bradford M. Crittenden said.

"A tire with a larger circumference than was standard for that make and model of car will reduce the indicated speed, but not the actual speed, of the vehicle. The difference usually ranges from 3 to 5 miles an hour, but in exaggerated cases can be as great as 10 to 12 mph.

"Thus a car traveling at an indicated 65 mph, the maximum limit, may actually be moving 70 miles an hour or faster."

The commissioner said that Highway Patrol officers had cited a number of drivers for speeding who were unaware they had been exceeding the limit, because the oversized tires had given them lowered speedometer readings.



ACTING FIRE CHIEF Ed Meier easily extinguishes a gasoline fire with the Ansul 20-pound dry chemical powder during a recent one-day fresher firefighting course at the Monterey Air Facility. Captain Byron G. Harrison also worked with 100-gallon fuel spills and the Ansul chemical as well as the various types of fires that could be encountered at Oak Knoll. The two fire officials have, in turn, indoctrinated members of the Knoll department in the latest techniques and equipment used to fight fires.

From Boots to Retirement, Navy Petty Officer's Guide Tells All

The fifth edition of the Petty Officers Guide has just hit the newsstands. In print since 1953, this big brother to the Blue Jacket's Manual is loaded with straight dope—especially suited to the needs of POs.

Admiral George W. Anderson, Chief of Naval Operations, wrote the forward for this fifth edition. He added his congratulations that such a manual was made possible and said, "Anything which can contribute to the Navy Petty Officer's abilities is worthwhile. The Petty Officer's Guide is such a contributor."

Available in the Navy Exchange and in downtown book stores, its many chapters explain all there is to know about advancement, transfers and rotation, Navy Schools, Traditions, Customs and Courtesies, Uniforms, Decorations, Seapower, Department of Defense, How to Start Right, Leadership, How to Instruct, Personal Affairs and Dependent's Matters, Pro-Pay, Leave and Liberty, Travel and Per Diem, Military Justice and the appendixes on Naval Terms, and Insignia of Grade of all the Armed Forces.

The latest edition contains a new Chapter 21—crammed with "Other Useful Information," including a section on Retirement, definitions of counterinsurgency and allied matters, information about the new "corrective custody" powers of a Commanding Officer, and the explanation of Career Incentive Pay (Pro-pay) is probably the clearest published by anyone to date.

The 1963 Edition, like the others, was written by RADM Harley F. Cope, USN, (Ret.) and CDR Frederick C. Dyer, USNR, both of whom have a half dozen other books to their credit.

Nonchalance is the ability to look like an owl when you have acted like a jackass.

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A biologist crossed an intersection with a convertible and got a blonde.

Compliments are like perfume: to be inhaled, not swallowed.

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Lady: Three monkeys are gambling at cards in the last cage. You had better break it up.

Attendant: Oh! that's all right, lady—they are only playing for peanuts.

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When it comes to home rule, dad is the chief executive and mother is the speaker of the house.

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To make a long story short, there's nothing like having the boy walk in.

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Annual Navy Relief Drive For Funds Will Begin 4 May



Helping Bret Brown celebrate his birthday were, from left, HA David Clarke, Miss Dorothee Prentice, HNs William Schult and Gerald Schneider, and LTJG Mary Naltner of Pediatrics. Not only did they provide nursing care for the four-year-old hemophiliac, they also donated five of the 13 pints of blood required for his treatment. Others who gave for Bret were HMC William Fanning, HM3s James Webster and Edward Hunt, HNs Michael Gates, Thomas Nixon, Arnold Adams, Mark Brown, and Ralph Barkley.

"Blood Relations" Help Bret Celebrate

When Bret Allen Brown celebrated his birthday on the Pediatric Ward recently, he was surrounded by "blood relations" without whose help he might not be alive today.

Bret, a wistful Fremont four-year-old who suffers from hemophilia, was admitted to the hospital on 2 April in critical condition. He needed fresh blood and fresh frozen plasma to combat his illness, and "walking donors" from a list the blood bank maintains for such emergencies immediately responded.

The donors included five members of the pediatric staff who have shared the responsibility of nursing the little boy back to the degree of health that is "normal" for him.

Bret is the son of William O. Brown, Damagecontrolman First Class, serving aboard the carrier USS RANGER. Brown and his wife Dorothea also have a five-year-old son, William, who is a hemophiliac. Hospital records show that during the past three years approximately 200 Navy donors have supplied the two boys' needs for blood and fresh plasma.

The Browns have a healthy, normal daughter, Mary Catherine, age 8½. Hemophilia, though transmitted by mothers, does not affect girls.

ALGEBRA TO ZOOLOGY

I & E's Door to Higher Education Easily Opened by "Key"—Desire!



ENS JOHN H. GANNON, Information and Education Officer, and his assistant, HMCS John Koethe, coordinate the training needs of the staff. Study courses and classes are offered which will better prepare you for promotion, or raise your education level. It is possible to gain a high school diploma or college degree through USAFI—these men will counsel Knollites upon request.

Knollites are missing a good bet if they're not using the many services offered by the Information and Education Division.

By investing fifteen-or-so minutes with an experienced education counselor in Bldg. 25, any individual can become familiar with the requirements needed to earn a high school diploma; or with other courses available to enhance or complete a college education. He will learn of the many study programs offered to better his military and professional standing—thereby improving his chances for promotion.

Heading the division is ENS John H. Gannon, MSC, a "mustang" with more than 13 years Naval service. He is assisted by 22-year veteran HMCS John Koethe, who once taught school after earning his Master's degree in English.

HNs Larry D. Owens and Joe D. Sartain operate projection equipment and contribute to the over-all I & E mission by filing correspondence, arranging appointments for staff and patient personnel, and other related duties.

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Many Thousands Assisted Last Year In Time of Need

Navy Relief—the Navy's own charity—will hold its annual drive for funds at Oak Knoll and throughout the Navy from 4 May to 6 June—dates that commemorate the World War II Navy-Marine sea-air Battles of the Coral Sea and Midway.

CAPT William P. Lane, CHC, USN, will head the drive at Oak Knoll, with the aid of LCDR Dorothy Mullin of the Nurse Corps and LT Richard E. Erwin, Medical Service Corps. Numerous keymen will be named to canvass the compound for contributions.

Organized in 1904, the Navy Relief Society has been a "friend in need" to Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families all over the world. Though not an official organization, it is closely related to the Navy itself. Its sole purpose is to provide financial and other types of assistance in times of emergency to personnel of the Navy and Marine Corps and dependents including those of retired and deceased personnel.

Last year Navy Relief provided financial assistance in 67,383 cases. Of these 51,722 were loans and 15,661 were outright grants.

Non-financial aid provided by Navy Relief includes layettes for babies in needy families, services of visiting nurses, and at larger stations, thrift shops, where clothing and other essentials may be purchased at rock-bottom prices.

These types of assistance were provided last year in 54,844 cases.

The OAK LEAF, in its next issue, will cover Navy Relief activities at Oak Knoll. In the meantime all hands are urged to be ready for the drive. Remember, the next emergency could be yours.

Proficiency Exams Set for 2 and 6 May

There are only a few more days until proficiency pay hopefuls will sit down to the annual "outstanding effectiveness" examinations which will increase the successful candidates' annual income by \$360.

Exam dates have been set for 2 May and 6 May.

Recommended E-5s, E-6s, E-8s and E-9s will take their fleet-wide test on the 2nd, while E-4s and E-7s will sit down to their 150 questions on the 6th.

Eligible personnel should report to the I & E classroom in Bldg. 25 at 0800 on the day of their test.

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Navy News Roundup

SIXTEEN AIRLINES NOW OFFERING HALF-FARES—Half-price "leave rates" have now been approved for 16 major airlines and are now available to servicemen and women. Military personnel on leave or delay in route may purchase their tickets by showing a copy of their orders or leave papers to the ticket agent. Travel on these tickets must be made in uniform. While the new fare is based on jet coach fares, the tickets will be honored on piston aircraft, in coach and economy coach sections of aircraft and in one-class service planes . . . **DEFERMENT OF TRANSFER TO THE FLEET RESERVE**—It is not considered to be in the best interest of the Navy to defer transfers to the Fleet Reserve for short periods solely for the purpose of awaiting anticipated beneficial legislation. Requests for deferment for this reason will not be approved. However, members desiring to cancel Fleet Reserve Authorizations and who agree to remain on active duty for a minimum of two years may submit requests for consideration to the Chief of Naval Personnel (Pers-B222). Consideration of each request will be based on the needs of the service, the rating involved, the member's record of performance and other pertinent criteria . . . **AIR YEOMAN RATE ADDED TO NAVY LIST**—A new general rating for "aviation yeomen" and further specialization in two other aviation ratings are contained in the latest changes to the Navy's enlisted rating structure. The new general rating is for aviation maintenance administrationman (AZ), a specialty designed to cover clerical work now assigned to a number of other aviation ratings . . . **CHUTING STARS NEED A MEDIC**—The Navy's parachute exhibition team, the CHUTING STARS, has announced they are now accepting applications from HMs to fill a recent vacant spot on the team. Applicants must be at least 21 years old, eligible for a minimum of two years shore duty and willing to travel 9 months out of the year. The jump team offers a challenge to those men who are willing to undergo the rigorous training and hard work required by a Navy exhibition team. Previous jump experience is preferred, but not necessary. Qualified personnel who would like to reap the rewards of having served with a truly great team may contact the Officer-in-Charge, Chuting Stars, NAS Pensacola, Fla., via the chain of command. A photograph of each applicant is required with the application.

Even Bus Passengers, Cab Driver Help Care For This Patient, 81-Years-Young

A brand new Nurse Corps ensign with good eyesight could scarcely receive more attention than ENS Ada Wood, NC, USN, Ret., has had since she left her home in Glide, Ore., to come to Oak Knoll for the cataract operation she underwent Wednesday.

"I'm sort of staggered by all the kindness everyone has shown me," she commented this week on 66A.

ENS Wood, 81, rode the bus beside a young ex-sailor ("He asked how I guessed he'd been in the Navy, and I said, 'Just look at those tattoos on your arm.'") When Miss Wood spoke of going to a hotel for the night, the sailor urged her to come directly to Oak Knoll. Acting on his advice and with his help, she took a cab, whose driver insisted on waiting to make sure she reached her ward safely.

"Not only that, he and his wife came out to visit me twice. They brought me a bowl of fruit and this beautiful Easter lily," Miss Wood happily reported.

A bus passenger wrote the command for assurance of Miss Wood's safe arrival and enclosed a greeting card to be delivered to her.

Among Miss Wood's memories of her 23 years in the Navy is that of

meeting Admiral Hays in 1928 when he was serving his internship at Brooklyn Naval Hospital.

Miss Wood was retired in '40 with cardiovascular disease. "I've got a good old heart—it's just my eyes that bother me now. This is my first time back to a naval hospital since I retired," Miss Wood told members of the 66A staff.

Two EST Students Win Promotions

Two well-known EST School students are happily receiving congratulations on their promotion.

Andrew D. Harrity finally received word that he'll go up to HMC on 16 May, and Daniel B. Miller of the U.S. Coast Guard made Master Chief as of 1 April.

Two men, marooned on a desert island for the past 15 years, happened upon a giant economy-sized cola bottle washed onto the beach. "Oh my," shrieked one as he picked up the bottle. "We've shrunk!"

Seeing ourselves as others do wouldn't help us. We wouldn't believe it anyway.

GOOD DONORS

12ND Blood Fund, Knoll Blood Bank Take Care of Navy's Own Blood Needs

Military personnel of the Twelfth Naval District are good blood donors.

In 1962 Oak Knoll's Mobile Collection Team received more than 2200 pints of blood from volunteer donors. Approximately 1500 of these were given by navy men stationed at Treasure Island, where the "bloodmobile" pays a weekly visit. Of these 1500 the School Command contributed 1100 units. Approximately 470 units of blood were donated by sailors at NAS Alameda during monthly collections. Emergency demands for fresh blood and rare blood types were supplied by 110 members of the hospital's own "walking donor" list. On several occasions large emergency demands for specific blood types were met by a busload of donors sent from TI to the hospital. Blood needs of Moffett Field personnel and their dependents are supplied through their contributions to the Red Cross Donor Center in San Jose.

In addition to this hospital's long-established blood bank and donor center, the Navy now maintains a Twelfth Naval District Blood Fund. Established 15 months ago, it has received 1,198 volunteer donations and disbursed 986 units of blood.

This program was established to help the Navy take care of its own—wherever they are. Maintained at Irwin Memorial Blood Bank, San Francisco, the fund furnishes blood credits for active duty, dependent, and retired personnel under treatment in civilian hospitals. It compensates the Army's Letterman General Hospital and Travis Air Force Base Hospital for units used there in treating Navy dependents.

Through its nationwide affiliations which permit exchange of credits all over the United States, Bay Area navy personnel can provide blood needs of dependents "back home" whenever sufficient credits are available. Needs of non-dependent immediate family members can also be met in some cases.

Large scale donations (more than 100 units) have been made to the fund by personnel of the USS RANGER, HANCOCK, and MIDWAY, and TI Marine Barracks, and NAD Concord. Other donors were from USS PINE ISLAND, LOFBERG, PROCYON, HOOPER, INTERPRETER, AGERHOLM, HIGBY, NSC Oakland, and Mare Island Naval Shipyard.

Here are a few ways the new fund has been used:

An SOS from the USS INTERPRETER requested blood for an enlisted man's mother hospitalized in Inglewood, Calif. Nineteen units from the 12ND Fund were immediately applied to her account, making replacement unnecessary.

At the request of a San Diego enlisted man who had previously served in 12ND three units were released to the Red Cross Blood Bank in San Diego to treat his non-dependent sister.

A retired officer hospitalized in San Mateo received credits covering five pints of blood given him during his treatment in a civilian hospital.

At the request of the USS HANCOCK, 49 credits were released to cover the needs of a young girl requiring heart surgery.

Personnel at Treasure Island and at NAS, Alameda, and Oak Knoll are urged to continue their generous support of the blood bank here. All others are urged to donate to the 12ND Fund at Irwin Memorial. Individual donations may be made any day. Group donations should be arranged through CWO Lewis C. Hall, Finance Officer at the U.S. Naval Dispensary, 50 Fell Street, San Francisco. (Telephone 621-3828 Ext. 403). Requests for blood should also be submitted to him.



LCDR Robert H. Vitz, CHC, reported aboard last Monday and increased Oak Knoll's corps of chaplains to six. He had been assigned to the USS SALISBURY SOUND (AV-13) for the past 14 months.

A veteran of 20 years' Naval service, Chaplain Vitz calls this tour of duty his "sunset cruise."

He had been to Oak Knoll only once before—as a patient during the winter of 1957 when he underwent surgery.

He will be joined in June by his wife Ruth, and their two sons, Edward, 22, a college student, and Thomas, 15, attending school near their home in Long Beach.

Ivan Myers Reaches 20-Year Milestone

Ivan Myers, pipefitter, has completed 20 years of service to the government. He received his gold lapel pin and a letter of appreciation from Admiral Hays at this month's civilian supervisors' meeting.

Mr. Myers served in the army before coming to Oak Knoll in October 1946.

K. P.

Keep Posted!—times change. Pass the word to others.

Know your Position in relation to the whole hospital.

Know the Personalities with whom you work.

Knowledge is Power!

Scuttlebutt

SIGHTS & SOUNDS: HNs Walter Hegland, Dan Barthels, and Steve Gunn taking off on a space available flight for ten days at Waikiki . . . Ensigns Mary Lawson, Ann Leonard, Susan Lyons, and Irene Greenlee of the Nurse Corps reporting for duty, fresh from indoctrination at Newport, R. I. . . LTJG Dowling out shopping for toys and tots' furniture—for the Day Nursery . . . Civilian Payroll's IBM machine spewing out eight checks in a row for Edna Bourdase.

WEDDING BELLS WILL RING next weekend for two couples who met at Oak Knoll. On 4 May Brenda Brodehl and Erik Karlsson, HM3, will be married at 1100 in nearby St. Paschal's Church with members of their families and a number of local friends attending. A reception will follow at Snow Lodge in Knowland Park . . . The following day—5 May—LTJG Floy Ruppelius and Jerry Blair, HN, will exchange vows in the First Methodist Church in Olathe, Kansas. Brenda, who works in the Record Office and Erik, the CO's driver, met at the bowling alley. Floy and Jerry on the Orthopedic Ward.

THOSE WERE THE GOOD OLD DAYS said PT's Bill Weiss as he recalled the times he and his teen-age pals pushed their motorless Model T out on the highway heading from Los Angeles for a beach seven miles away. "Most people, seeing that we were having 'car trouble' were happy to give us a push, and even those who insisted on looking under the hood, didn't seem to resent us too much," said Bill.

LIFE BEGAN on 11 April for Raymond Lee Cheser, Jr., 6 lb., 7 oz., son, for Raymond L. Cheser, HN, of Ward 62B, and wife Anna . . . on 14 April for Kersti Ellen Magi, 6 lb., 12½ oz. daughter, for LT Martin Magi, Otolaryngology resident, and wife Virve . . . on 15 April for Todd Scot Smith, 9 lb. son, for David E. Smith, HN, EENT Clinic, and wife Carol.

Congratulations Are in Order

Three staff doctors this week received word of their promotion to lieutenant commander. They are Drs. Allyn E. Gilbert, Alfred R. Chappelka, Jr., and Ellsworth J. Sacks, Jr., whose new ranks date back to 1 November 1962.

LTJG Troy L. Spurgeon has been promoted to LT, MSC, date of rank 1 July 1962.

HM1s Forming Classes To Prepare for Exams

All first class petty officers who would like to register for a continuing training program for advancement to CPO are requested to contact HM1 Jim Wildey, I & E, on Ext. 298 prior to 1 May.

It is planned to organize periodic training sessions throughout the year until the next E-7 examinations in February.



POPULAR RECORDING STAR Rusty Draper, in the Bay Area for a series of night-club engagements, toured the Oak Knoll wards last Tuesday entertaining patients with some of his songs that have sold more than a million apiece. Among them were "Gambler's Delight," "Shifting, Whispering Sands," "Freight Train" and "Please Help Me, I'm Falling." While on 41A he entertained, among others, Edith Chaves, welfare chairman, Fleet Reserve Association Unit 241; Gladys Scott, unit chaplain; Keith Phegley, Don Keller, Mickey Myers, unit secretary; David Sparrow, Floy Kuykendall and Robert E. Shuss. In the wheel chair is Lester Gorham. Arnold Nott takes it easy in the rack. Rusty Draper was encouraged to make the Knoll tour by the ladies of Hayward Unit 241, FRA.



NURSE CORPS Educational Coordinator LCDR Mildred C. Henry (standing) indoctrinates both enlisted personnel and Navy Nurses upon reporting aboard. An outline of their hospital duties, departmental assignment and general familiarization with Oak Knoll and local regulations are explained. During one such gathering the OL photog caught, seated from the left: LTJG Nancy Wallick, ENSs Sheila Kolazyk, Betty Charming, Irene Greenlee, Mary Lawson, Susan Lyons and Ann Leonard in the I & E classroom.

Higher Education

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As an example of an everyday problem, if HA "Joe Blow" had completed only the 10th grade before joining the Navy, and is now seeking his high school diploma, the counselors would show him two roads to attain his goal.

One may be the General Education Development (GED) test, high school level, which, if successfully passed, would indicate he has the equivalent of 12 years' education. The other route might be to enroll in home study courses—the subjects determined after a personal interview.

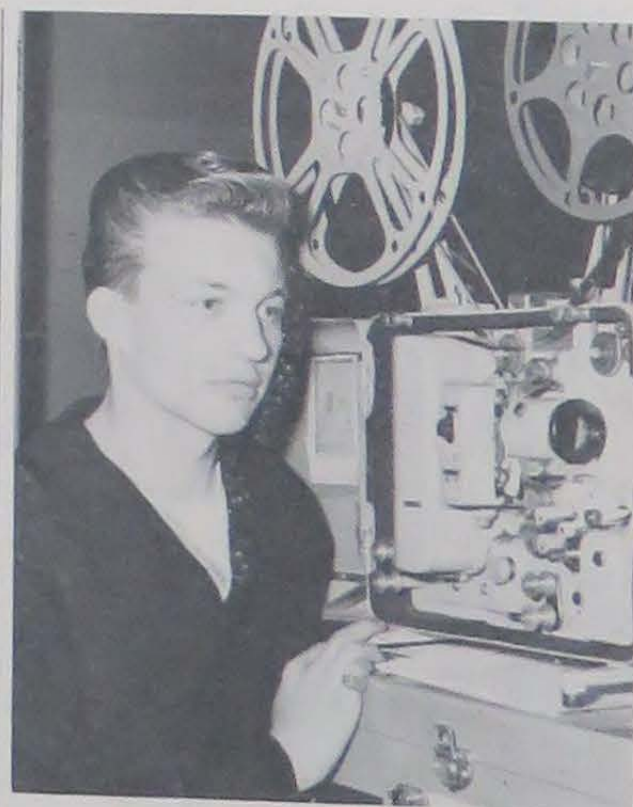
Along these same lines, if another corpsman completed only one semester of college—or is a high school graduate—he may elect to take the GED test for 1st year college level credit. Most schools throughout the country recognize this five-part examination and give credit accordingly. There is no fee for the GED tests.

I & E also offers home study courses in all subjects—from algebra to zoology. Credits earned may be applied to your total educational achievement.

Another service offered in Bldg. 25 is pre-testing—the mandatory examination all staff corpsmen must take when reporting for duty. If any part of the test indicates that help is needed, classes are scheduled and taught by a competent instructor. No stone is left unturned in these specialized one-subject classes.

When the results of a fleet-wide exam are announced, profile cards are returned to all personnel who failed the test. These profile cards are scanned by I & E personnel and those requiring help are advised. By placing more emphasis on his "low" grades, the candidate may better prepare himself for the next test.

Correspondence courses are offered by the United States Armed Forces Institute (USAFI), and by recognized colleges and universities throughout the country. The USAFI fee is an initial \$5 investment. Upon successful completion of the first course, the student may continue harvesting the fruits of education without further financial investment. He may also elect to enroll in more than one training course at the same time upon successful completion of the initial course.



HN LARRY D. OWENS operates a motion picture projector during one of the many in-service training periods for Knoll staffers. Sound movies play an important part in the continuing training program by showing in detail actual operations, various skin diseases, and correct methods for treating such problems as heart failure, burns, fractures, and deep cuts. The films are supplemented by lectures by competent instructors.



KNOLLITE HARV SIMKINS fires a fast ball past a swinging Treasure Island batter during last week's game on the local athletic field. Loyal fans in the stands watched TI claim this game 7 to 2 in seven innings. Coach Ken Moffett maintains that Oak Knoll has a potential championship team—"if the rains would stop long enough to let me get in a practice or two."



HILLTOPPER FIRST BASEMAN Harold Berry meets the ball and smashes it to right field during a recent game with NAD Concord on the local athletic field.

Active Duty Navy May Buy "Local" Fishing Licenses

With the opening of the California trout season just around the corner—the opening day has been set as 4 May—The Oak Leaf quotes the California Handbook for Veterans relative to free fishing and hunting licenses.

"A veteran of any war in which the United States has been, or may be engaged, having 70 per cent or greater service-connected disability incurred during wartime upon presentation of proof of an honorable discharge from service is entitled to free hunting licenses, deer tags, and pheasant tags. Servicemen who fall into this category are also entitled to a free sport fishing license."

These licenses and tags are issued only at the Department of Fish and Game, Headquarters Office, 722 Capitol Ave., Sacramento.

Members of the armed forces on active duty are not exempted from having a sport fishing license. The Fish and Game Code defines members of the armed forces on active duty as "residents" and as such they may purchase resident licenses and tags.

Twenty Years Ago In The OAK LEAF

The Corpsmen were all very happy with the swell California weather, for it gives them a chance once again to take their exercises . . . The crowd will be much larger since roll call is being taken.

Two new Chief Nurses Misses Christensen and Yedder (LTsjg) are here now for duty. Both were taken prisoner on Guam and later exchanged.

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

Kay Kyser and his company will appear on the compound April 1, entertaining in the mess halls and also touring the wards. This promises to be as good a show as Kay has ever put on, in fact I doubt he has ever put on a poorly planned show. His popularity is exceeded only by his generosity.

At the Movies—"Hellzapoppin"—Olson and Johnson; "George Washington Slept Here"—Ann Sheridan, Jack Benny; "Ride 'Em Cowboy"—Abbott and Costello.

EXECUTIVE MEMO: The bus will not make trips to and from church because no one ever rode on it. P. P. Maher, CAPT, MC, USN, XO.

Girl: How kind of you to bring me these lovely flowers. They are so beautiful and fresh. I believe there is some dew on them yet.

Young Man: Yyyyes, but I'm going to pay it off tomorrow.

City girl: "What is that animal over there?"

Farmer: "That's a Jersey cow."

City girl: "How can you tell when it has no license plate?"



OAK KNOLL'S COLORS were flown at half-mast last week—at other Naval installations throughout the world—in honor of the men who went beneath the sea with the submarine USS THRESHOLD never to surface again.

Daylight Saving Time Starts Tomorrow Night

That time of year is here again—the time when we lose an hour of the interest of daylight saving. Before you retire tomorrow (Saturday) night set your clock ahead one hour. And be sure to obey your alarm clock Monday morning!

Barber (to new helper): "Here comes a man for a shave."

Helper: "Let me practice on him."

Barber: "All right, but be careful—don't cut yourself."

Fire Chief Sez

Something woke you up . . . Smoke

The room is choked with it. What would you do? Can scarcely breathe, Quick—

1. Roll out of bed to the floor . . . less smoke there. Cover nose with a cloth if you can. Don't stand up.

2. Crawl to a window. Open or smash it if you have to.

3. And lean out for life-sustaining air. But if you still have time for other escape, feel doors. If they are hot, don't open.

Open any door cautiously . . . be ready to slam it. One breath of super-hot air can kill! Maybe you can get out through a window to a porch roof or other fire escape.

Give your nighttime escape some thought . . . tonight.

Joseph A. McEachern, a sheet-metal worker at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, was recently cited by the SecNav for completing 40 years of Federal Service during which he did not use one day of sick leave.

Jokes

"Mrs. Smith," said the doctor, "your husband must have rest and absolute quiet. Here are some tranquilizers — YOU take one every four hours."



The fifth freedom...enjoy it!

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PROSPECT and RETROSPECT—As the Navy Nurse Corps observes another birthday (It will be 55 on 13 May), ENS Judith Ward looks ahead to her nursing career, and LTJG Mary H. DuBose looks back over hers—way back, for she was a member of the "Sacred Twenty" who made up the corps when it was established in 1908. With Admiral Hays, they both look at a picture of those twenty, who earned \$40 a month, wore full-bosomed, tight-waisted, floor-sweeping white uniforms and served in the Navy Medical School hospital in Washington, D.C. Miss DuBose now makes her home in Berkeley. Miss Ward, as a Navy Nurse Corps Candidate trained at Texas Christian. She is from Grandfalls, Texas.

Mary DuBose, Original Navy Nurse, Here on 55th Anniversary of Corps

Reminiscing is in order on 65B as LTJG Mary H. DuBose quietly observes the 55th Anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps. Miss DuBose, a member of the "Sacred Twenty" from which the Nurse Corps grew, can tell "these youngsters" a thing or two.

A graduate of Stanford University School of Nursing, she was helping establish a hospital in Palo Alto during the San Francisco earthquake.

"We thought everything west of the Rockies was going into the Pacific Ocean," she remembers. But it didn't and two years later Mary DuBose was in Washington, D.C., helping establish the Navy Nurse Corps. There she lobbied measures through Congress that improved the status of her corps. She served for 20 years—in Naval Hospitals in New York, Portsmouth, Chelsea, Great Lakes, Mare Island.

During WWI she was nurse inspector for hospitals in France, where she worked hard and enjoyed traveling to Nice, Monte Carlo, Venice, Rome.

The memory that brings the

brightest sparkle to Miss DuBose's eyes is of service as Assistant Aide to Morale at Mare Island Naval Shipyard, where she recruited girls from Vallejo for parties she arranged for enlisted men—and where she engaged a former Notre Dame All-Star to coach "her team" to victory over

their toughest rival.

"But the most wonderful part of my career," she recalls, "was when I was chief nurse at the Naval Hospital, Cancao, Cavite, P. I." There, in addition to her official duties, Miss DuBose organized the women of the town and with them established a baby clinic and milk station and raised money to pay a native visiting nurse.

At 86 Miss DuBose has many interests—including baseball.

14 Staffers Upped To E-3 on 1 May

Thirteen staff corpsmen and one dental striker were advanced to E-3 on 1 May after successfully passing the promotion examinations held recently in the I & E Bldg.

Sewing new stripes were Florene J. Maggart, Robert R. Kautz, John M. Dea, Thomas M. Howard, Frank B. Browell, Jr., Robert E. Cerlline, John W. Karstens, Johnnie L. Gromley and Jaquetta S. Cox, all of Nursing Service.

From OR school were Charles L. McCune, David A. Clarke and Walter A. Everetts.

NP student Franklin D. Trent and Timothy C. Standall of Dental were also promoted.

Shipwreck Theme for O'Club Dance 18 May

Feeling like a hunk of flotsam or jetsam? Then you'll probably look just right for the O' Club shipwreck party the night of 18 May.

"Imagine you've survived a shipwreck—and come that way," reads the blurb that also says there'll be prizes for best costumes, cocktails at 1830, South Sea Buffet dinner at 2000, dancing to the music of the Jimmy Blue Orchestra (music with a beat for dancing feet), and baby sitters.

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HM2 Matias P. Balajadia of the Lab checked out last week to attend Independent Duty School in San Diego.

He took with him a commanding officer's commendation for his outstanding service to the Pathology Laboratory, where his handling of serologic procedures has been of consistently high quality. "You have improved procedures in spinal fluid studies so that there has been better control of quality, with increased reliability of reports. In addition to performing your regularly assigned duties in an exemplary manner, you prepared a complete manual of serologic and related procedures as performed at this hospital, accomplishing much of this work on your own time. The manual serves as a standard reference and guide for department personnel and as a model for other department manuals," the CO's letter read.

Five Knollites Successful in Bid for Promotion to CPO



Stephen H. L. Au



William O. Weiss



Andrew D. Harrity



Floyd A. Gracie



Don Hansen

Knollites who have been selected for promotion to Chief Petty Officer—one in May, one in September, two in November and one next January—are a pretty proud lot.

And they should be!

Donning his CPO uniform on 16 May will be Andrew D. Harrity, an EST student. A veteran of nearly 12 years' active service, he came to

Oak Knoll after a 2½-year tour at Naval Hospital, Pensacola, Fla. During the Korean conflict he served aboard USS HAVEN and made

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++ CHAPLAIN'S CORNER ++

"THE MORE ABUNDANT LIFE"

I believe that it might be a good thing if all of us did a bit of thinking about our neighbor's religion. If a Chaplain can judge from appearances, many people take the position that a man's religion, or lack of it, is a matter of his own personal preference. Like one's taste in wine, literature, music, dress, home furnishings, and food, religion is looked upon as a personal matter into which the outsider has no right to intrude.

But is this all that religion is? Is a relationship with God as casual a matter as this? Does it make no difference whether there is a God or not? Is it of no importance whether our understanding of God comes close to the truth or is largely false? I am certain that when it is put in these terms most of us would be inclined to say that what we believe does make a difference.

Our tolerance for people of other faiths and our insistence on our neighbor's right to believe according to the dictates of his own conscience are commendable, but when we distort this into an excuse for indifference to his spiritual well-being it ceases to be a virtue. If we honestly believe what we say we do, and what Holy Scripture teaches, we have something that everyone needs. This is something we are morally obligated to share with our neighbors.

Certainly this does not mean that we have to be ill-mannered or invade the privacy of others against their wills. There are quiet and kindly ways in which we can let them know where and how they may find "the more abundant life" which means so much to many of us. There are so many ways to do this that there is not room enough for me to describe them here; but I, or any of your Chaplains, will be glad to help you find a way suitable to your solution. We hope that you will give us the opportunity.

CHAPLAIN ROBERT L. KEYS

Navy News Roundup

SUBLIKE VESSEL WILL ALLOW NAVY TO PROBE DEPTHS — A unique vessel is being constructed in New London, Conn., that will enable the Navy to search the ocean bottom at all but the deepest depths. If the vessel—the Aluminaut—were in commission today, it would be capable of seeking out and finding the wreckage of the atomic submarine Thresher even at the hull-crushing mile and a half depth where it apparently lies. The Aluminaut, due to be launched in May 1964, is the world's first all-aluminum-hulled submarine . . . **MEDICARE CENTER MOVING TO DENVER** — The Office of Dependents Medical Care will move to Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver, Colo., in the near future. Authorities in Washington, D. C., say that the move from D. C. will result in more effective and economical liaison with medicare contractors located throughout the United States . . . **NAVAL ACADEMY TO GRADUATE 879** — A class of 879 midshipmen, the Naval Academy's largest in five years, will be graduated at commencement exercises in June. The Academy announced that 733 are scheduled to receive commissions in the Navy, 66 in the Marine Corps, 60 in the Air Force and 20 in the Army . . . **NEW RULE PROHIBITS LEAVE-TRAVEL FOR EM EXTENSION** —

A new ruling by the Comptroller General prohibits payment of travel allowance and accrued leave to individuals who have entered into an extension period. For example, if an enlisted man has a 1 June separation date he must reenlist on that date to receive travel allowance and accrued leave payments. Once he enters on an extension he cannot receive these payments until he reenlists following the termination of his extension. In a followup message the Comptroller General told commanding officers, "to advise all personnel who have executed but not yet entered an extension to cancel the extension and reenlist on their original dates of separation, unless they desire to serve the full extension . . . and to take all possible precautions to prevent entering into an extension period." . . . **SECRETARY McNAMARA ALTERS O'SEAS TOURS** —

Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara has authorized the services to cut to a year the overseas tours of men who leave their families at home. Previously, these men could be sent overseas for as long as two years. The objective is to cut down on gold drain abroad, save money in transporting families and improve morale.



WEDDING BELLS rang for HM3 Lawrence G. Conwell of X-ray and Anthony Geraldene Warren of Oakland, on 25 April in the local Chapel. The ceremony was performed by by Chaplain Vitz. Conwell, a Knollite for the past year, has received orders to the Eighth Naval District, effective the end of May. Mrs. Conwell has been employed by J. C. Penney Co., Oakland, as a cosmetologist.



After Beverly Huber and John Theodore Lucas, Jr., exchanged vows in the First Methodist Church of Hayward on 13 April, the reception was held at the Oak Knoll Officers' Club. CDR Melvin P. Huber, MSC, USN, Ret., gave his daughter in marriage and loaned his sword for the cake cutting. The bridegroom's parents were unable to come from New Orleans, La., but Beverly's family was well represented. Her sister Joan (Mrs. Donald R. Foley) sang "The Lord's Prayer" and served as matron of honor. Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Gary Huber, was one of four bridesmaids, as was her cousin, Linda Lugenbeel, from Grants Pass, Ore. Her brother and brother-in-law were ushers, and her mother and grandmother occupied places of honor in the church. The newlyweds are now at home in Hayward after an Ensenada honeymoon. The groom is an employee of General Motors in Milpitas.

Armed Forces Celebrations Set for 18 May

A week of parades, exhibits and open houses at U.S. military installations throughout the world will begin 11 May to give the private citizen a look at the nation's military posture.

As in past years, the third Saturday in May, this year the 18th, has been officially proclaimed Armed Forces Day by the President. The first such observance was held May 1950.

Admiral George W. Anderson, Chief of Naval Operations, sent the following message to all Naval commands:

"On this Armed Forces Day 1963 the Navy, as always, is proud to stand in the vanguard of those who serve America. We join the men and women of all the other services in renewed determination to keep our country strong and safe—the Guardian of the Free."

Visitors will be welcomed at Oak Knoll between the hours of 1000 and 1630.

Fire Chief Sez

FIGHTING SMALL FIRES

1. Take time to think, quickly size up the situation.
2. Get everyone out, call Fire Dept. at once!
3. Keep near the door—so you have an escape.
4. Stay low—out of the heat and smoke.
5. Aim extinguisher at base of fire, not at the smoke or flame.
6. Stay outside small rooms—shoot stream in.
7. Ventilate only after fire is out. But if fire gets large—get out, close doors!

S.P. "Who was driving when you hit the pole?"

Seaman: "No one, Sir. We was in the back."



FIRE CAPTAIN Byron Harris directs a solid stream of water 20 feet away during a recent workout of a new piece of equipment added to the Knoll firefighters' inventory. Backed by 180 pounds of pressure, this monitor will be a great asset for fighting large fires, should the need ever arise.

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New Chiefs

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three cross-Pacific trips to Indo-China. Other assignments have included the Old Sailor's Home, Philadelphia, and the Force Troops, Atlantic Fleet Marines. During this tour he took part in the Lebanon landings.

HM1 Don Hansen, EST Instructor, will turn in his neckerchief on 16 September. A native of Auburn, Calif., Don has totaled 10½ years' service. He had broken service during 1955-56 when he attended Sierra Jr. College. Before reporting to Oak Knoll he served with the Naval Advisory Group, Chinhae, Korea. Sea duty assignments have included the radar picket destroyer USS BENNER and the aircraft carrier USS ANTIETAM, on the east coast, and the ammunition ship USS FIRE-DRAKE with the Pacific Fleet. During a two year tour of duty with VR-7 based at Moffett Field, Don flew many cross-Pacific flights to Dahrhan, Saudi Arabia, while assigned to embassy flights. He graduated from EST school here in 1960.

On 16 November HM1 William O. Weiss (SS) of PT will be promoted to HMC. He began his career early in 1942 and received his boot and Corps training in San Diego. During World War II he served with the Fleet Marine Air Wing in the South Pacific, and made three round-the-world cruises aboard the troop ship USS GENERAL CALLAN. During one cruise the ship was under torpedo attack off Manus, Admiralty Islands, and under aerial attack off New Guinea. He was discharged in 1946 and worked in the sales field until the Korean conflict. In 1950 he returned to the Navy and was stationed at Naval Hospital, Bremerton, Wash., and Kodiak, Alaska, before attending Lab School in San Diego. In 1955 he was accepted for submarine training and later served aboard the BALAO, GUAVERA and the CORPORAL—all homeported in Key West, Fla., and operating in the Caribbean and Mediterranean. He was stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, in charge of the Lab be-

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fore reporting to Oak Knoll 18 months ago.

Also being promoted on 16 November is Floyd A. Gracie of Medical Repair. A native of Canaan, New Hampshire, Gracie will complete 16 years' service in November. He reported to Oak Knoll three months ago after attending Medical Repair School in St. Louis, Mo. During his lengthy career Gracie served in the Naval Hospitals Dublin, Ga., Parris Island, S.C.; Beaufort, S.C.; Newport, R.I., and Yokosuka, Japan. Sea duty assignments have included the aircraft carrier USS CORAL SEA, the battleship IOWA, the minesweeper PIVOT and the Naval Facility, Oppama, Japan. He also attended X-ray school in Boston. Gracie will be here for a normal 48-month tour of duty, then retire to go into the trucking business.

Advanced to HMC next January will be Stephen H. L. Au of the Lab. A native of Honolulu, he joined the Navy in July 1955 after completing three years of pre-med study at Ohio University. After completing boot training and Corps school in Bainbridge, Md., Au was assigned to Bethesda before attending Lab school. He later served a two-year tour with the Marines at Camp Lejeune, N.C. Before reporting to Oak Knoll he was assigned to Preventive Medicine Unit SIX, Pearl Harbor. Au has never failed a Navy advancement examination—passing the CPO test in only 7½ years' service. He doesn't plan to make the Navy his career—instead he'll take his discharge, complete his education, and seek employment as a Public Health Officer.

Lawyer: "But, if a man is kneeling down in the middle of the road . . . that doesn't prove he's intoxicated."

Officer: "No sir . . . but this man was trying to roll up the center stripe."

WWI Purple Heart Winner Bill Sundin "Retires" on Showing 2,341st Movie

World War I Army veteran Bill Sundin of Oakland has been showing his movies on Oak Knoll wards for more than twenty years. He projected his 2,341st motion picture on 62B last week to conclude his Red Cross volunteer activities.

The 68-year old winner of the Purple Heart will take it easy from now on—"getting to the mountains for relaxation on weekends and during vacations."

Bill and his wife, Florence, live at 1039 Walker Ave., Oakland. He is employed full time by the Paramount theatre as a projectionist—his vocation since pre-World War I days.

"Years ago," Bill recalled, "I used to play golf at the Oak Knoll country club—I watched Oak Knoll hospital being built and started my volunteer work shortly after it was opened."

As a "doughboy" fighting in France during World War I he was gassed by the German infantry on 4 August 1918. He was subsequently hospitalized in Langres and Vichy base hospitals, also in France, returning home for discharge following months of treatment.

Bill is past commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart; the Disabled American Veterans and the 91st Division, East Bay Unit, veterans association.

Most of the films Bill has been showing were purchased by the Bill Erwin Post, 10th District, American Legion. "The movies are of general interest to all hands—including sports, travel and cartoons," Bill recalls that during World War II and the Korean conflict—when Oak Knoll patient census skyrocketed—his viewers filled the aisles with capacity crowds. "Patients are just as appreciative now, but the number of viewers has diminished greatly."

Over the years Bill has shown his 40-minute movies on three different wards as many as seven nights a week.

He still carries the gate pass that was issued to him in 1946—"although I very seldom have to



ARC VOLUNTEER BILL SUNDIN show it since most of the boys on gate duty know of my volunteer work."

Bill Sundin will miss the many friends he has made at Oak Knoll and Oak Knoll will miss Bill Sundin.



HM2 David Isham, of Food Service, was presented his Medical Commissary Technician's certificate following four months' on-the-job training. The eight-year Navy veteran has been at Oak Knoll for nearly three years. In July he will be transferred to Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan.

All Proficiency Pay Exams Cancelled

The proficiency examinations — planned for 2 and 6 May—were cancelled by the Navy Department.

It was announced that the once-a-year tests for the extra \$30 a month proficiency and outstanding effectiveness pay would no longer be held.

Instead, a new set of rules—not yet received at Oak Knoll—would outline the qualifications and authorizations necessary to award the extra money to worthy individuals.



THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT of the Fleet Reserve Association Auxiliary, accompanied by the national treasurer and two ladies of San Leandro Unit 10, FRA, visited Oak Knoll last week and toured the pediatrics clinic and the Navy Prosthetic Research Laboratory. During their visit to Peds, the OL photographer snapped, from the left, Mrs. Anele Robertson, national treasurer from Brooklyn, N. Y., Mrs. Ruth E. Stevens, national president from Baltimore, Md., Mrs. Claire Johnson and Mrs. Catherine Current, from San Leandro, while playing with tots. The Fleet Reserve Association has purchased air conditioning, cribs, furniture, and curtains for Pediatrics and other wards at Oak Knoll.



CHAMPION BOWLERS of the Tuesday night Men's Handicap winter league are the "Spoilers." Pictured with their trophies, standing from the left: Jack Timmerman, Ron Burke, who bowled high game; Charlie Peralta, John Forbush, team captain, and Dick Nolls, who won high series honors. Front row, left, is Dave Isham and league president Wayne Jones. Summer league bowling began this week.



THE "CHUCKERS" won top honors in the Oak Knoll Mixed Double winter bowling league and were presented trophies with mounted electric clocks for their efforts. Standing, from the left, are: Sandy Ehlers, Terry Joler and Bonnie Robinson. Kneeling, same order, are: Gene Farrar, who bowled the high game of 223; Ralph Barkley, and Chuck Hanna, team captain, who rolled high average honors with a 174.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS of the Thursday night Mixed Handicap league are, standing from the left: Emily Aquino, Yolanda Szilagyi and Doris Farrar. Front row, same order: Gene Farrar and Steve Szilagyi. Beverly Forbush and Chuck Hanna won the Most Improved Bowler trophies.



OAK KNOLL'S Women's 12ND Bowling team finished in 2nd place — losing by only one game after a year's play. Representing this hospital were, from the left, Emily Aquino, Marge Warren, Monica Durupt and Lil Peart. Not present for the picture were Nellie Mosley, Terry Kelly and Norma McWethy. The girls bowled at Treasure Island, Moffett Field, NAS Alameda and Oak Knoll during the winter games.

Hilltoppers Win 1st Crack at "Bad" Mare Island Team

Athletic directors representing all commands in the Twelfth Naval District met at the round table at NAD Concord last week to plan this year's football schedule.

As usual, Oak Knoll will meet Mare Island in the opener on the local athletic field.

Mare Island, some directors believe, is the toughest competition of the season. Thus, Oak Knoll has been given the job of softening up the gridmen—making it a bit easier for other contenders.

The Hilltoppers—you will recall — completed last season's games UNDEFEATED with a 9 win, 0 loss record.

Other 12ND coaches feel that the Naval Hospital team is unfair competition — that Oak Knoll should give handicap points of six points for away games, 12 points for home games.

Ken Moffett says he'll think about it!

Gospel Music Concert Downtown on 24 May

Gospel music will return to the Oakland Civic Auditorium on Friday night, 24 May, at 2000, when two of the Nation's most famous quartets will be presented in a concert of spirituals. Headlining the program will be the nationally known Weatherford Quartet from Akron, Ohio, and Warner Brothers' Oak Ridge Quartet from Nashville, Tenn.

This forthcoming west coast tour will be a "home coming" for the Weatherford Quartet, well-known RCA Victor recording group who actually originated in Long Beach some ten years ago and have since sky-rocketed to fame in the realm of spiritual music in the East.

Knoll Stork Club

LIFE BEGAN on 1 May for Jonathan Michael Johnson, 7 lb., 1 oz. son, for William L. Johnson, SD3, BOQ, and wife Annie . . . On 1 May for Susan Denise Honig, 8 lb., 7½ oz. daughter, for LT Alan J. Honig, Ophthalmology Resident, and wife Nancy . . . On 1 May for Kathleen Anne Grant, 6 lb., 12 oz. daughter, for LT Henry T. Grant, Otolaryngology Resident and wife Margaret.

Jokes

Gasoline Station Attendant: "How's your oil?"

Gent from the South: "We're fine. How's you all?"

Patient: "This is my first operation and I sure am nervous."

Doctor: "I know just how you feel—it's my first, too."

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THE NEW CROP of JANGOs, capped Monday night include, from left: Diane Shear, Judy Smith, Sandra Swanson, Virginia Braun, Jane Anglemeyer, Julie Roemer, Colleen Bylund, Judy Jastremski, Rebecca Oberman, Cheryl Fletcher. They are the fourth class trained at Oak Knoll.

10 JANGOs Capped, Complimented; Already Serve Total of 1600 Hours

Ten JANGOs—the fourth class trained at Oak Knoll—were capped Monday night.

At the head of her class was Judy Jastremski, who not only qualified for her cap through 24 hours of classroom instruction and 76 of supervised ward experience, but has served a total of 350 hours, earning her pin for the first 50 beyond the 100 required for graduation, a white chevron for passing the 200-hour mark, and a blue chevron for more than 300.

Diane Shear received her pin, white and blue chevrons, Colleen Bylund, pin and white chevron, and Sandra Swanson her pin.

Others capped by CDR Ruth M. Cohen, Chief of the Nursing Service, were Jane Anglemeyer, Julie Roemer, Virginia Braun, Rebecca Oberman, Cheryl Fletcher, and Judy Smith (who made several trips here from Sacramento to complete her hours after her parents moved from Hayward.)

Janice Pascoe, a June 1962 graduate, received her blue chevron.

Mrs. D. B. Rulon, JANGO chairman, presided, and the awards were presented by Mrs. E. J. Sacks, co-chairman and nursing instructor.

CDR Delmer J. Pascoe, Chief of Pediatrics, gave an inspirational talk and told JANGOs that patients and staff are unanimous in their praise of their service (which includes chores such as making beds, giving bed baths, assisting with admission and discharge of patients, taking temperatures, and running errands).

CAPT. W. S. Baker, Jr., Executive Officer, presented the diplomas, and LCDR F. W. Kempson gave the invocation and benediction.



HMCA Andrew D. Harrity was presented his appointment certificate on 16 May after donning his CPO uniform. The EST student, a 12-year Navy veteran, was duly initiated into the hardhat ranks by fellow chiefs during ceremonies in their club. Chief Harrity will be transferred to MSTs Atlantic after graduating from EST school on 31 May.

"Junebug" Picnic Set for 1 June For All Knollites

All hands are invited to a "June Bug" picnic on Saturday, 1 June, beginning at 1400 in the South section of the Knoll recreation area.

An afternoon of fun for all ages has been planned. On the program are many games, swimming, hot dogs and hamburgers, refreshments.

At about 1800 a buffet dinner will be served, followed by dancing under the stars until midnight on the outside basketball court.

The planning committee hopes the entire Knoll military staff will take part in this first picnic of the year. Dependents and guests are also invited.

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Change of Command

Rear Admiral Cecil L. Andrews, MC, USN, Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for Personnel and Professional Operations, has been named to succeed Rear Admiral Thomas G. Hays, MC, USN, as Commanding Officer of Oak Knoll.

Change of Command ceremonies, which will also mark Admiral Hays' retirement from the Navy after 35 years' active duty, will take place in Gendreau Circle at 1000 Saturday, 29 June.

Admiral Andrews, in his present post since 1959 when he was promoted to flag rank, previously served at the Bureau from 1952 to 1958, first as Head of the Training Branch and later as Director of the Professional Division. In the interim he was Commanding Officer of U.S. Naval Hospital, St. Albans, Long Island, N.Y. He is known to many Knollites, who have served with him at various times and places during his 33 years of Navy medicine.

The incoming CO earned his MD at Indiana University in his home state. His specialty is internal medicine.



12ND CHAMPIONSHIP trophies were presented to Oak Knoll's WAVES by Admiral Hays last week after the team took top honors in the "B" division basketball games. Receiving awards were, from the left: Mag Whittemore, Toni Litwinski, Jackie Cox, Terry Joler, Diane Paris, Kay Toth, presenting the Command trophy to Adm. Hays; Donna Patton, Ida Vieyra, JoAnn Lawrence, Cara Schleve, Charlene Phillip, and Brenda Brown.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

PRAYER FOR PEACE, MEMORIAL DAY, 1963

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Memorial Day provides a fitting occasion for the American people to pause and realize that our Nation has survived recurring crises which have tried the souls of men; and

WHEREAS we recognize that the maintenance of our freedom has required constant vigilance, unified strength, and the willingness of our people to make all necessary sacrifices; and

WHEREAS we are accustomed to join together on Memorial Day each year in grateful tribute to our forebears and to our fellow citizens who have given their lives on the field of battle; and

WHEREAS in memory of their sacrifices in this noble cause we should keep faith with our heroic dead by humbly and devoutly supplicating Almighty God for guidance in our efforts to achieve a peaceful world; and

WHEREAS to this the Congress, in a joint resolution approved May 11, 1950 (64 Stat. 158), requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day as a day of prayer for permanent peace:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN F. KENNEDY, President of the United States, do hereby proclaim Memorial Day, Thursday, May 30, 1963, as a day of prayer for lasting peace, and I urge all citizens on that day to invoke God's blessing on those who have died in defense of our country and to pray for a world of freedom with peace and justice. I designate the hour beginning in each locality at eleven o'clock in the morning of that day as the time to unite in such prayer.

I also urge the press, radio, television, and all other media of information to cooperate in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

JOHN F. KENNEDY

Navy News Roundup

SERVICEWOMEN CAN NOW ENTER CHESS TOURNEY—Pawns, knights and castles, not to mention kings and queens may soon replace bouffants, Chanel, and bargain day sales as the topics of discussion in the women's quarters at military installations. It has been announced that the Fourth Annual Armed Forces Chess Championship Tournament, to be held in Washington, D. C. in October, is encouraging feminine participation from all branches of the service. . . . **NAVY TO SCUTTLE WWII SUBMARINE TO FIND THRESHER**—The Navy will sink a WWII submarine off Cape Cod, tracking it as it drops more than 8,000 feet to the bottom of the ocean. The purpose will be to locate the USS THRESHER. The Navy's tentative plans are to sink the 19-year-old submarine USS TORO adjacent to the search area in late May. The hull of the USS TORO will contain instruments to facilitate its tracking as it falls through undersea currents to its grave. Once she reaches the bottom, the sound waves of sonar equipment bounced off her hull from surface ships will be compared with signals from the ocean floor protruberances already found. . . . **NO STORKS AT LONG BEACH**—The Naval Hospital at Long Beach has been finally approved BUT—the Budget Bureau, seemingly reacting to pressure from civilian medical officials, knocked out maternity care facilities for dependents at that hospital. . . . **NOW HEAR THIS**—FORD MOTOR Company has arranged to sell Fords at overseas Navy Exchanges similar to American Motors' plan. The purchaser will realize a 13% discount on Falcons, Fairlanes and Comets. A hefty 18% can be saved on Galaxies, Mercurys, Thunderbirds and Continentals. Discounts are from the manufacturer's suggested price list. . . . **WHO'S UNDERPAID?**—Navy manpower management study shows the average working day for sailors afloat, computed on a 5-day industry basis, is 16 hours. In port, the average is more than 13 hours. On the beach billets average 10.7 hours per day. The national average hourly wage for the key trades are: Bricklayers, \$4.49; carpenters, \$4.09; electricians, \$4.40; painters, \$3.90; plasterers, \$4.29; plumbers, \$4.38; laborers, \$3.08. Apply these wages to the above stated hours, and you have a substantial increase in pay. . . .



ENS IRENE GREENLY extinguishes an oil fire with a CO₂ unit during a recent in-service firefighting lecture and demonstration at the Fire House. Looking on (background) are ENS Susan Lyons, Ann Leonard and Mary Lawson. The Fire Inspector demonstrated proper techniques for fighting all types of fires, and each nurse had a turn using the various extinguishers.

Revised Pro-Pay Plan May Begin Next Fiscal Year

Top Defense officials have agreed on basic revisions to the proficiency pay system, expected to be phased in during Fiscal Year 1964.

Key changes in the new plan are:

Higher rates of pay for designated shortage or "hard-to-keep" specialties ranging from \$50-\$100, as compared to the present rates of \$30-\$60.

In the designated specialties all career men will be eligible for proficiency pay without taking a pro-pay examination.

Men in other than shortage specialties will be eligible to compete for "superior performance" pay of \$25 monthly.

Details of the new pro-pay plan, including shortage specialties, rates of pay and specific eligibility criteria are now being developed within the military department.

The "superior performers" will get \$25 per month for a 12 month period. Under the new plan, each service may have its own system of awarding the \$25 monthly awards.

If the program revisions are on schedule, the first phase of the new pro-pay plan could become effective on 1 July, according to William Gorham, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower) for special studies and requirements.

Fire Chief Sez



FIRE INSPECTOR Ed Hanrahan instructs ENS Susan Lyons to keep hands away from the metal horn on the standard CO₂ extinguisher while aiming at class "B" (oil or other flammable liquids) and class "C" (electrical) fires that she may encounter during her Oak Knoll tour. The temperature drops instantly from room temperature to 110 degrees below zero during operation. Contact with the metal surface at this time would cause a hand to be "welded" to the horn.

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Scuttlebutt

DEPENDENTS WHO'VE MADE GOOD DEPT. John Koethe, Jr., son of Oak Knoll's well known HMCS, has been awarded one of 20 Princeton University National Scholarships for academic excellence. Not only that, he has turned down scholarships to Harvard, Yale, and MIT. Seventeen-year-old John will graduate in June from Herbert Hoover High in San Diego. For three consecutive years he has won first place in the Greater San Diego Science Fair. In 1961 he was Sweepstakes winner and took further honors at the International Science Fair in Kansas City. The Naval Electronics Lab at San Diego recently gave him an award for participation in an advanced physics competition. He plans to major in theoretical physics at Princeton.

IT'S BECOMING A TRADITION FOR ONE INTERN from every class to find his bride at Oak Knoll. This year it will be LT Terence R. Collins, who on 6 July, just eight days after graduation, will wed ENS Rosemary McLaughlin. Father Francis Hatton of Albuquerque, a college friend of the groom, will officiate at the ceremony. LTJG Donna Matura and ENS Caroline Dawson of the Knoll staff will have maid of honor and bridesmaid duties, and a Creighton University classmate of Dr. Collins will come from Sacramento to serve as his best man.

AN OAK LEAF CLUSTER to HMC Dick Baker and HM1 Bill Keyner of StaffPers, who gave first aid when a young lad pulled the gear selector in his father's car out of "park" and rolled into a concrete wall at Redwood Park on a recent Sunday. . . . To Chief Tillman, who spoke to a Public Health Class at UC on 30 April "doing a fine job in discussing food sanitation generally with particular reference to control problems which are either unique or of special importance in the military establishment. . . . His enthusiasm for and knowledge of the subject evoked an excellent response from the class," the UC thank you letter said.

SIGNS OF THE SEASON: Coach Moffett busily chasing gophers while the team plays on. . . . Dr. Pascoe getting a card from O'Wives of USNH, San Diego, with the message "You could have danced all night" . . . that is, if he hadn't been stricken with appendicitis right in the midst of their shipwreck dance. . . . Navy Exchange loading its counters with attractive graduation gifts. . . . Sally Welch, Red Cross social worker, making plans to depart 7 June for duty at the Army's Medical Service Group hospital on Okinawa. . . . LT William L. Blankenship, MSC, back at his old post as Chief of Operating Services, relieving LT Francis, who goes to Moffett Field. . . . CAPT James Dineen at TI for the ABC Warfare Course. . . .

LIFE BEGAN on 8 May for Kimberly Lynne MacDonald, 5 lb., 3 oz. daughter for LT Rodney I. MacDonald, Orthopedics, and wife Mila. . . . on 13 May for Alice Mae Freund, 8 lb., 1 oz. daughter, for David W. Freund, HN, NP Tech, and wife Audrey.



OAK KNOLL'S CORPS OF NURSES gathered in the Officers' Club on 11 May to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Navy Nurse Corps. Among those present for cake-cutting ceremonies and a songfest were, from the left: Mildred C. Henry, Lois F. Adrian, Ruth M. Cohen, Chief Nurse; Carla R. Dunham, Beverly J. Jones, Mary J. Leonard, Leah S. Gregg, Ann M. Leonard, cutting the cake; Marion F. Wardell, Mary L. Lawson, Nancy F. Kinnunen, Sulanda Moffett, Ann Myers, Honora J. Savage, Mary Jo Vogel and Mary M. Naltner. Seated (left) are Mary DuBose, a member of the "Sacred Twenty," of 1908; Ada Wood, a 23-year veteran who retired in 1940, and Sok-Hyon Kwon, ROK Navy.



HIGH FASHION (and low, for the show began with playclothes) and **HIGH HAIRDOS** modeled by members provided the entertainment for the Officers' Wives' Club May luncheon. In Photo (1) Mmes. W. R. Forney and J. J. Dihl wear attractive samples from Shepherd's in nearby Pelton Shopping Center, which supplied all the apparel shown. In (2) are Mmes. R. A. Loeffler, Paul W. Suitor, and B. D. Stout, and in (3) Mrs. G. E. Gorsuch modeling like a professional against the attractive "breath of spring" background supplied by Mrs. J. E. Hamill and members of her committee. This well-dressed, well-coiffured quartet in (4) includes, from left, Mmes. D. E. Shuler, A. C. Rolen, J. B. Hill, and J. V. LeBlanc. Models not pictured were Mmes. R. C. Colgrove, R. H. Sewell, and B. L. Rish. Mrs. Roy Brown was chairman of the show. Mrs. Wilbur Bullock of Luziers did the make-up, Stans of Brandenburg the coiffures.

CAPT Holloway's Movie on Emphysema Study Wins Honorable Mention in Chest Physicians' Judging

A documentary color and sound movie produced by CAPT Charles K. Holloway in connection with the Navy-UC-NIH Emphysema Project in which he is participating at the University of California campus at Davis has earned honors for the Navy.

The movie was shown to more than 500 physicians of the International College of Chest Physicians at New Delhi, India, in February by Dr. Gerald L. Crenshaw, one of Oak Knoll's thoracic surgery consultants. The film was favorably received, and a copy of it was presented to the Indian government for its research film library.

A revised version of the film presented at the American College of Chest Physicians Film Judging in Chicago on 30 April received an Honorable Mention Award in com-

petition with a number of professionally produced films. It will be shown on 15 and 16 June at the American College of Chest Physicians' meeting in Atlantic City, where CAPT R. O. Canada, Commanding Officer of USNH, Bethesda, and former Oak Knoll Chief of Medicine, and CAPT Joseph L. Whatley of the surgical staff, will receive the award for the Navy.

The study of the pathologic physiology in equine emphysema will soon be going into its fifth year. Fifty-three thoracotomies have been performed on horses as part of the investigation, which is a joint effort of this hospital's Research Service, U. C. School of Veterinary Medicine, Office of Naval Research, and National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Holloway's movie shows de-

tails of a portion of the research procedures and microphotographs of tissue under study.

Captain Canada, CAPT Donald Edwards, and CDR E. E. Parker had roles of major importance in getting the project started. Three civilian consultants—Drs. Crenshaw, Harold A. Harper, and George H. Reifstein—have been vitally interested in the project since it began, as has Dr. Richard McLaughlin, former staff doctor now practicing in Burlingame.

In the year and a half that Dr. Holloway has headed the local Navy section of the project, CAPT J. L. Whatley, CDR Raymond L. Watten, and LCDR D. L. Larson have been active participants. Also aiding in the study are HM2 Leslie Easley, HM3 Mike Moran, and HNs Mike Keckler and Bob Adams.



OAK KNOLL'S Hilltopper baseball team has been on the diamond every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons (home and away) since the 12th varsity season began last month. The OL photographer snapped (#1) Mike McCarthy checking his signal from the catcher before delivering a pitch (#2) the delivery. (#3) right fielder Roger Edwards swinging—and missing—and (#4) Knollite Phil Smith being called out after attempting to steal 2nd base.



CLASS #19, OPERATING ROOM TECHNICIANS, graduated on 16 May after six months' on-the-job training. Certificates were presented by CAPT Charles K. Holloway Jr., Chief of Surgery. Receiving their diplomas were, seated from the right: HNs Arthur Moon, Pamela Swieszcz, Arthur Wiggs, and Cecil Nolin. Standing, same order: HM3s Theodore Frieze, Honorman, and Jerry Davenport, HN William Woodruff, HM2 Thomas Nicastro, LCDR Frances Jacobson, OR supervisor, and LCDR Bernadette McKay, OR school instructor. Frieze and Nicastro will be retained on the Oak Knoll staff.



TWO NEW ENT technicians were presented their certificates of graduation by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., XO, last week. HNs Walter Schlueter and David Smith completed six months' on-the-job training to win their tech's rating. Looking on are CAPT LeRoy Wible, Chief of ENT and LCDR Imogene Johnson, school instructor.

Giants' Passes Free To Uniformed Military

Uniformed servicemen and women will be admitted to all Monday and Wednesday afternoon Giants homegames at Candlestick Park again this season without charge.

Schedule for the remainder of the season includes 19 June, Los Angeles; 1 July, Cincinnati; 3 July, Milwaukee; 24 July, New York; 29 July, Pittsburgh; 31 July, Philadelphia; 21 August, Milwaukee; 28 August, St. Louis; 4 September, Houston and 25 September, Philadelphia.

EST Volleyball Team Wins Knoll Tourney

The EST volleyballers copped 1st place in this year's intramural leagues, held during the lunch hours for the past ten weeks.

The EST squad finished the first half of the season undefeated, but lost one game to X-ray in the second half.

Finishing in second place was X-ray, followed by NP.

Knoll Swim Meet Set for 29 May

An Oak Knoll swimming meet is scheduled for 29 May in the local pool.

All hands are invited to take part in any of the standard events—backstroke, breaststroke, freestyle, etc., with appropriate trophies being presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.

The competitions will begin at 1000.

Winners of these events will be invited to take part in the 12th meet on 26 and 27 June.

More details are available in Special Services, Ext. 595, or from Dr. R. J. Arthur, Ext. 341.

Military Pay Bill Moves to Senate

The Senate Armed Services Committee, headed by Senator Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.), is now evaluating the Military Pay Bill passed by the House on 8 May.

Effective date of the pay raise is still likely to be 1 October.

The pay raise would affect 1.1 million servicemen. Not included in the pay raise are those servicemen with less than two years' service.

If passed as is by the Senate, the pay increases would average 12 per cent and would be weighted most heavily for those in the middle grades of both enlisted men and officers. The reason for heavy increases in these grades is for retention of skilled personnel.

The bill would raise the military payroll to \$847 million annually, add \$90 million a year to living allowances, and give an allowance for service personnel who are separated from their families for a long period and who are not housed at government expense.

Also added to the bill was an amendment to provide "hazardous duty" pay to military personnel subject to enemy fire in peacetime. This would cover servicemen in "limited" wars such as in South Vietnam.

The House bill also proposed that military personnel who retired before 1 June 1958 be allowed to recompute their pensions in line with present pay rates under the 1950 Pay Act.

Big "Rainbows" In Lake Merced

Knoll anglers are missing a good bet if they're not taking advantage of San Francisco's beautiful trout-laden Lake Merced, which opened its 1963 fishing season on 4 May.

Boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 17 will have exclusive fishing use of the steel pontoon pier located in the northwest corner of the South lake, adjacent to the Sportsmen's clubhouse. This modern pier was designed to afford maximum protection for youngsters. Lifeguards are also on duty.

Adults may rent boats from the Lake Merced boat house, or may enjoy fishing from the southern part of the South and North lakes.

All those anglers 18 years of age and older need both a state fishing license and a city fishing permit to make use of the lake's facilities. These permits may be obtained at the Lake Merced boat house for a \$1.00 annual fee. The trout season remains open here until 31 December.

Military personnel stationed in California are regarded as residents of the state when purchasing licenses.

All Hands Are Invited to 65th Hospital Corps Anniversary Picnic and Dance

The Enlisted Recreation Committee has planned an afternoon and evening of events next Saturday, 15 June, to celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the Navy's Hospital Corps.

The day's events will begin at 1400 with an All Hands picnic at

the local recreation grounds. Hamburgers, hot dogs, refreshments and games for the adults and kiddies have been planned.

Knollites are encouraged to bring their families, friends and guests to the picnic to help make the an-

nual festivities another complete success.

A cake cutting ceremony will take place during the picnic—between 1500 and 1600. To help the planning committee, it is requested that the names of the youngest and oldest Corpsmen on active duty be sub-

mitted to Committee chairman, HM1 Don Hansen, EST School, Ext. 431.

The Staff is invited to continue the celebration at the Chief Petty Officers' Club. Dress for the evening is semiformal. Dancing to the music of Ernie Bala begins at 2000 and continues until midnight.



WHILE PINCH HITTING for Admiral Hays, CAPT William S. Baker, Jr., had the pleasure of presenting the Navy Relief 100-hour pin to his wife Gerrie. Others similarly honored last Wednesday at a coffee at the Officers' Club were, from left, Mrs. M. J. Millard, Mrs. L. E. Watters, Mrs. B. L. Aaron, and Mrs. John Dennis, whose husband is on duty at TI.



HM1 Stephen Au of the Lab received a Commanding Officer's Commendation earlier this week for his outstanding work in the Pathology division during the past year. He was discharged today and plans to return to school for his BS degree.

His commendation read, in part, "... In addition to handling your regularly assigned duties in an exemplary manner, you were constantly striving to improve the work of the department. You organized a 'library' of known cultures to assist in the training of laboratory technicians. On many occasions you gave your own time to maintain the continuity of the bacteriology work. You instituted new culturing procedures to speed up identification, streamlined clerical procedures, and initiated a card file for all areas of the microbiology laboratories, which includes in detail every technique used. Your departure is a real loss to Oak Knoll."

**CONTRIBUTE
TO
NAVY RELIEF**

Mrs. Hays Earns Navy Relief's Highest Honor

Mrs. Thomas G. Hays was awarded the Navy Relief Society's highest accolade—the Award for Meritorious Service—at a coffee held in the Officers' Club foyer last Wednesday morning. Unable to be present because she was attending the funeral of a friend, she received in absentia some measure of the thanks she has earned during many years of Navy Relief Service.

CAPT William S. Baker, Jr., acting CO while Admiral Hays was in Washington on official business, traced Mrs. Hays' Navy Relief service, which began many years ago. At San Diego Naval Hospital Mrs. Hays did office work, sewing, and hospital visiting. During a tour of duty at Mare Island she contributed many hours of sewing, as she did in Hawaii and has done during the past five years at Oak Knoll. She was secretary of volunteer women in San Diego from 1949 to 1951, chairman of sewing at Mare Island and chairman of volunteer women at Oak Knoll. She received her 600-hour pin and was awarded the Certificate of Appreciation in Hawaii shortly before coming to Oak Knoll five years ago.

Five other Navy Relief workers received their 100-hour pins at the coffee. They were Mrs. Baker, Mrs. L. E. Watters, Mrs. B. L. Aaron, Mrs. M. J. Millard, whose husband was AO here before his retirement several years ago, and Mrs. John Dennis, whose husband is on duty at Treasure Island.

Mrs. Lee Allegretti, Executive Secretary of the East San Francisco Bay Auxiliary of Navy Relief, Mrs. Gladys Pezzolo and Mrs. Alice Peterson, visiting nurses employed by Navy Relief, Chaplains Lane and Kempson, were among those attending the coffee.

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Latest Issue . . .



YES, SIR, THAT'S OUR BABY! She arrived at 1109 Tuesday, 4 June, tipping the scales at an even 7 pounds. Her name is Janet Marie, and there she is with her proud father, Clyde E. OAKLEAF, AN, from NAR2, Alameda, and her mother Helen. She also has a 1-year-old brother named Leonard Charles. The OAKLEAFs live at 1041 Lincoln Ave., Alameda.

Dr. Draper Honored

CAPT Arthur J. Draper, Jr., Chief of Medicine, has been notified of his election to Fellowship in the American Heart Association Council on Clinical Cardiology.

Under 40? You're Due For Physical Testing

All male staff personnel under the age of 40 are required to take the physical fitness test during the month of June. Personnel should report to 42B (rear entrance) for testing between 0800 and 1600.

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CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Morning Worship.....1030
 Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses.....0830 1215
 Daily Mass.....1200 in small chapel
 Confessions.....Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
 Novena.....Tuesday after 1200 Mass
 Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.
 Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

Navy News Roundup

NSLI HOLDERS URGED TO CHECK WAIVER STATUS—Married servicemen whose National Service Life Insurance premiums are still under an in-service waiver, would do well to check what effect these waivers have on survivors benefits, the VA warned recently. Although in-service waivers of premiums have not been granted since 1 January 1957, there are still many servicemen whose waivers are continuing and these men may be losing protection for their dependents by not cancelling the waivers. Knollites are urged to check with the personnel officer before deciding to continue or discontinue such waivers. . . . **DEFENSE SECRETARY CALLS MILITARY HOUSING URGENT**—Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara has told the House Committee on Armed Forces that 12,100 housing units proposed for funding in 1964 are urgently required. The committee, studying the Fiscal Year 1964 military family housing program, was told by the Secretary that, for the military family man, as for any family man, decent housing for his wife and children is a major concern. "While a military man, in keeping with his profession, must be willing to accept personal hardships, I do not think the nation has the right to expect the same from his family," said the Secretary. "The necessary rigors inherent in the military life are hard enough on a family man without adding the burden of persistent personal hardships for his family," he continued. . . . **ADMIRAL DISCLOSES MEDITERRANEAN SEA POLARIS SUB POLICY**—The United States has no plans to use Mediterranean bases for Polaris missile submarines operating in the Mediterranean, VADM William Ellis Gentner, the new COMSIXFLT commander announced. "We have a base at Holy Loch in Scotland and that is sufficient to support our operations in the Mediterranean," Admiral Gentner said at a news conference. He said that the three Polaris submarines operating in the Mediterranean were assigned to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization but were under his command for "day-to-day" administrative and operational purposes.

Navy Relief Drive Ends Next Payday

The Navy Relief Society, dedicated since 1904 to helping Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families in time of need, is currently making its annual drive for funds.

During the period 1 May 1962 until 1 May 1963, the Oak Knoll branch of the Navy Relief Society made 111 loans totalling \$6,133.40 and made 14 gratuities totalling \$1,023.50.

Oak Knoll's total contributions to the Navy Relief drive last year amounted to \$2,331.47.

Heading the local campaign is Chaplain (CAPT) William P. Lane. In turn, he is assisted by keymen in all divisions and departments—both military and civilian.

The official Navy-wide cutoff date for the drive was last Wednesday, but late contributions will be accepted in the Chaplain's Office until Tuesday, 18 June—the day following next payday.

A generous response is needed if the organization is to continue aiding Navy and Marine Corps personnel.

The work of the Society is supported entirely by private funds, chiefly contributed by service personnel and civilian friends of the Navy and Marine Corps.

Navy Relief makes its appeal for funds during the period 4 May through 6 June, commemorating the WWII Navy-Marine sea-air battles of the Coral Sea and at Midway.

Here is the 1963 "Fair Share Scale," showing suggested donation by rank and rate to the Navy Relief Drive.

CAPT	\$15	WO1	\$3.
CDR	\$12	E9, E8	\$4.
LCDR	\$10	E7	\$3.
LT	\$7.50	E6	\$2.50
LTIG	\$5.	E5	\$2.
ENS	\$3.	E4	\$1.50
WO4	\$7.50	E3	\$1.
WO3	\$7.50	E2	\$1.
WO2	\$5.	E1	\$1.

Nimitz Awards on Display at U.C.

A full display case of military and civilian decorations received by Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz is on display in the Bancroft Library at the University of California.

On view are medals, ribbons, medallions, orders and citations presented to the admiral in more than half a century of service.

The earliest decoration is the Treasury Department's silver life saving medal for bravery awarded to Admiral Nimitz for saving a man from drowning in Hampton Roads, Va. It was issued by act of Congress in 1912. Three of his four Navy Distinguished Service medals are displayed. He gave his fourth to a member of his command during WW II for an act of heroism. Also on view are a Belgian Croix De Guerre, the Order of the Knight Grand Cross of the Bath of Great Britain, and many others.

The medals will be on view through June.

Reminder: The goal during the Treasury's Freedom Bond Drive, May 1 to July 4, is for every family to buy a Savings Bond.



HN Roger L. Moor received the Commanding Officer's Commendation last Monday for his "outstanding service to this hospital, particularly to the Plastic Surgery Clinic, where you have been on duty since July 1961. You have not only been responsible for management and housekeeping in the clinic, but have also assisted in surgery, where your technical skills have earned the praise of your chief of service, although you are not a graduate of the Operating Room Technique School. Your diligence in maintaining sterile technique in preparation of trays, supplies, and operating room equipment is reflected by the notable absence of wound infection in our outpatient cases. Your initiative, originality, devotion to duty and fine military bearing have reflected great credit on yourself, this hospital, and the Naval service."

Moor has also been selected for promotion to HM3, effective 16 July.



HN Linda L. Mathews received a Commanding Officer's commendation last Monday morning for her outstanding contribution to patient care while assigned to the women's surgical ward for the past eight months. "You have shown remarkable interest in routine duties and through intelligent observation and unusual industry have greatly enhanced the quality of nursing procedures. Your pleasant personality and diplomatic handling of personnel of all rates and ranks have promoted harmony and efficiency on Ward 40A. Your effective performance of all your duties have earned for you the respect and admiration of all your associates," the CO's letter read.



CLASS NO. 37 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION TECHNICIAN School was graduated last Friday when 23 Corpsmen were presented certificates by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., Acting CO. Seated, front row from the left: HM1 Don L. Hansen, HMC William E. Cox, HMCS Russell S. Levy, CHMEDSERWT Harold B. Rice, LCDR William H. Wells, CAPT William K. Lawlor, LCDR Ross D. Alexander, HMCS George Schmidt, HMCS Roy B. Tillman, HMC Harvey J. Trump and HM1 Thomas Pasqueth, all EST staff. Students, 2nd row, same order: HM1 Norman F. Crawford, HMC Margarito Martinez, HMC Fernando Sanciangco, HMC

Robert L. Brown, HMCS James N. Ennis, HMCM Daniel B. Miller, USCG; HMCS Warren E. Perry, USCG; HMC Thomas W. Carolus, USCG; HMC Charles K. Love, HMC Andrew D. Harrity and HM1 Bobby E. Kennedy. Standing, from the left: HM2 Mohammed A. Sattar, Pakistan Navy; HM2 John H. Nunn, HM2 Thomas W. Crowl, HM2 Joseph R. Hilterman, HM2 Bernie E. Ellis, HM2 Cornelius H. Brantley, HM2 Theban C. Cartwright, HM2 Ronald E. Nolan, HM2 Samuel G. Durbin, HM2 Paul F. Ryan, HM2 Robert A. Morse and HM1 Sang Cho Yu, Korean Navy.

Scuttlebutt

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS Re **WELL-KNOWN FOLK:** CAPT Roy Brown is a deputy sheriff! He was deputized a year ago when he joined the Alameda County Sheriff's Mounted Posse, with which he rides weekly. The posse, frequently seen at parades and rodeos, is well-known for its precision riding. Dr. Brown's mount is a palomino named "Taffy."

WELL, NOW DON MATTSOON, HM1, of Operating Services, who is at Oak Knoll for the **FOURTH** time without **EVER** being mentioned in the OAK LEAF, can complain no longer.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES: Promotions—here, there, everywhere . . . LT Eldon L. Evans enjoying the summer sun after 8½ months in Antarctica, where the thermometer sometimes reached 5 above zero and has been known to drop to 79.6 below! But the climate is healthful, he says—no, one never has the flu or even a cold, unless visitors bring them in. . . . One Wave exclaiming to another—"The Grand Canyon was just gorges." (And she's right!). . . . Knoll parents dialing KID to make arrangements to stow their little ones at the Day Nursery, while the anti-digit dialers mumble unmercifully along. . . . Robert W. Bristol, HM2, shipping over for the 6 that'll make it 1. . . . Traffic behind Navy Exchange suddenly going one-way—in reverse of that to which we're all accustomed. . . . at Gerke of the Dictating Machine Transcriber Pool, who'll retire next Friday, recalling the days when she went hunting on the site where Oak Knoll now stands . . . when anything beyond 98th Ave. was somebody's cow pasture . . . when her family purchased a nice home in the Fruitvale District for \$1500 . . . when she started to work for Oak Knoll in 1954.

LIFE BEGAN on 26 May for Michelle Marie Peluso, 7 lb. 2½ oz. laughter for Michael Peluso, HN, 20's-Mailroom, and wife Cheryl. . . . On 27 May for Brian Havens Brayton, 6 lb. 7 oz. boy for LCDR John R. Brayton, Jr. of the Eye Clinic and wife Mary. . . . On 29 May for Beth Ann Lufkin, 7 lb. 1½ oz. daughter for LT Charles Lufkin, Pediatrics, and wife Marilyn. . . . On 31 May for Scott Allen Hibner, 9 lb. 1 oz. daugh-



HMC Cornelius R. Ferry of the Training Division was "piped over the side" by fellow chief petty officers last Monday following twenty years' active Naval service. During his lengthy career Chief Ferry had many assignments at sea and ashore, including duty aboard the LST 932, USS NEMASKET (AOG-10), USS HENRICO (APA-145), USS LST 1134, USS MT. MCKINLEY (AGC-7), USS LST 1083, USS PC 1208, and the USS INTERDICTION (AGR-13). Ashore he has served at Third Naval District Medical Office, the Military Medical Supplies Agency, Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Naval hospitals in Philadelphia, St. Albans, New York, and Oak Knoll. He has accepted civilian employment at the nearby Lawrence Radiation Laboratory.

ter for Robert Hibner, HN, of Pat-Pers and wife Sharon.

Promotions for 15 Doctors, Nurses

New gold braid, like June, is bustin' out all over.

Promoted to LCDR are Drs. Edward J. Sheridan, John J. Matoole, Jr., Harold L. Oxman, John B. Hill, Roger G. Hauser, Charles E. Inman, Douglas G. McCree, David M. O'Neal, John R. Brayton, Jr., Fred L. Benoit, III.

New Nurse Corps JGs are Leah S. Gregg, Anne Myers, Judith Ana Ward, Sulinda Moffett, and Barbara Sobotik.

Ten 'Quota'd' EM Win Crows in July

Ten Knollites who participated in last February's fleet-wide examination for advancement to petty officer—but who were quota casualties—received word last week that they will be promoted on 16 July.

Going up to HM2 will be Erik Karlsson, CO's driver, and Elroy Morris of the Main Lab.

Advanced to HM3 will be James A. Burgess, CIC; Walter L. Hedglin, ID and Pass Office; Antoinette Litwinski, Lab student; Roger L. Moor, Plastic Surgery clinic; Edward Nixon, Nursing Service, and Raymond Rich, X-ray student.

Jerry D. Forkner, who was selected for HM2, and L.H. Shigaki, for promotion to HM3, have been discharged.



Mr. McKay McKinnon, Jr., Director, San Francisco District Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, was guest speaker during EST Class 37 graduation exercises.

There's a choice in U. S. Savings Bonds to fit any saver's pocketbook—be it \$25 or \$10,000!

Savings Bonds help Americans build financial security for themselves and their country.

Surgeon General Congratulates Corps

As Surgeon General of the United States Navy, I extend my heartiest congratulations and best wishes to all the men and women of the Hospital Corps on the occasion of the 65th Anniversary of the Corps.

Since establishment of the Hospital Corps on June 17, 1898, the record of achievements in the care of our sick and injured is one of which we all can be justly proud. It is indeed fitting and timely that credit be given all members of the Hospital Corps for the full share of responsibility assumed and outstanding performances as part of the Medical Department of the Navy.

Within the past decade, man has experienced a period of growth through advancement unequalled heretofore. The Medical Department shared in this era, during which time it depended on all of its personnel to meet the challenges encountered. You as hospital corpsmen have played a vital role in our team effort, capably and diligently meeting all tasks assigned with an unequalled spirit of pride and enthusiasm.

For myself, and on behalf of the Navy Medical Department—WELL DONE and Happy Birthday!!

E. C. KENNEY

Military Pay Bill In Senate; Expect Quick Floor Vote

Military pay bill hearings will start in the Senate early this month, according to Senator Richard Russell, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The full committee is expected to consider the bill rather than first having a subcommittee go over the proposed law. There will be a considerable saving of time if this is permitted.

Some senators have mentioned that they plan to offer amendments on the floor of the Senate that would move up the effective date of the pay bill and possibly add other service benefits.

It appears now that the amendment for recomputation of retired pay for those affected will be approved in much the same form as adopted by the House of Representatives.

Heavy mail favoring the bill has been received by most Senators on the committee. It is also reported that hearings on the pay plan are not expected to last long.

65,000 Black Bass Stocked Locally In Three Lakes

Three lakes in the San Francisco Bay area this week got "booster" plantings of largemouth black bass to enhance future fishing prospects.

Nicasio Lake, in Marin County, received 50,000, Adobe Creek Reservoir in Lake County got 10,000, and Cull Canyon Reservoir 5,000.

The young fish came from the Department of Fish and Game's Central Valley Hatchery near Elk Grove.

Nicasio got its initial stocking of fingerling largemouth bass a year ago. The others are brand new impoundments, receiving their initial plantings of warm water game fish this spring.

Fire Chief Sez

FIGHTING SMALL FIRES

Class A combustible fires—trash, cloth, paper, wood—use the pump tank extinguisher. It operates by one hand pumping the handle while the other hand holds the nozzle. A Class A fire is put out by lowering its temperature. Wet the fire to cool, then soak it to stop fire from smoldering.

Class B flammable liquids—gasoline, paint, oil, tar—use the CO₂ extinguisher. It operates by squeezing the handle or trigger. Class B fires are put out by smothering it. Use the extinguisher by giving a blanketing, flame-interrupting effect. Cover the whole flaming liquid surface with the carbon dioxide.

Class C electrical equipment—motors, switchboards, lamps—use the CO₂ extinguisher. Turn off power immediately. Always use a non-conducting extinguishing agent (CO₂) to prevent receiving electric shock.



ANOTHER GROUP OF SALMON enthusiasts sought, and caught, more than 20 Kings with Clara Schoen taking top honors with her 19-lb. beauty during last week's Special Services-sponsored trip aboard the PRIVATEER out of Berkeley. Among those who were on board for a day at sea were, front row from left: Tadanobu Miyahira, Jay Helm, Tony Cruz, Frank Durtz, Bill Stout and Bobby Crone. Standing, same order; Bill James, Austin Belton, Elwood Meadows, Privateer skipper; Clara Schoen, Dave Tringali, Steve Lyons, Robina Beveridge, Chuck Sharp, Pat McDonald, Irene Greenlee, Ken Stevens and his brother, Jerry.



X-RAY GRADUATES—Following a one-year course of training in X-ray technique, seven corpsmen were graduated last Friday and presented certificates by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., (right) acting CO. X-ray students and staffers pictured here are, from the left: HN John Swanson, HN James Coons, HMC Bruce Geringer, HM3 James Morrison, HM3 Daniel MacDonald, HM3 Larry Cornwell, HMC Nile Godfrey, HN Tony Valenzuela, HM3 John Prince and CAPT William Strunk, Chief of Radiology.

Many CS Workers Earn Honors

Heading the list of honors given to civilian employees by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., at the May meeting of civilian supervisors was a commendation to Nancy Newton, staff nurse, for showing great skill and judgment in providing mouth-to-tracheostomy tube resuscitation to a 1½-year-old boy.

Ralph Zobel received his 40-year pin, a SecNav certificate of commendation, and letters of thanks from BuMed and the CO. Mr. Zobel served more than 23 years in the navy and for more than 16 years has been a member of Oak Knoll's Fire Department.

Twenty-year lapel pins and the CO's letter of recognition of faithful service were awarded to Odessa Housman, Edward Collins, Walter Carter, Lucious Moore, Woodrow Stuart, and Vernon Bell.

Five civilians recently merited outstanding performance ratings. They are Harold Seibert, supervisory medical technician, Pathology; Anna Mae Taylor, Personnel & Records; Myrna Stotts, clerk stenographer, Orthopedic Service; Orange Flemming, Food Service, and Thelma McNeil, Neuropsychiatric Service.

Elmer Stevens, plumber, retired

USS LEXINGTON Crew To Hold 10th Reunion in Oakland 27-30 June

The Tenth Annual Reunion of the USS LEXINGTON will be held at the Doric Leamington Hotel in Oakland, California 27-30 June 1963, with RADM H. C. Haynsworth, Commanding Officer of NSC, Oakland, delivering the main address at the evening session on 29 June.

Personnel, including squadrons who served in this ship at any time between 1927 and 8 May 1942 are invited to attend with their wives and guests.

For further information, contact LCDR Walter D. Reed, USN, Ret., 5608 Ocean View Drive, Oakland 18, Telephone 652-7373.

19 April. His 25-year Federal career includes service in the United States Navy from 5 June 1918 to 30 September 1921; two tours of duty with the Yosemite National Park Service; and three years with USNH, San Leandro, before transferring to Oak Knoll.

A naive gentleman in an Italian restaurant: "Hey waiter, bring us two bottles of this Spumoni Vercilli listed here on the menu."

Waiter: "Sorry, sir, but that's the proprietor."

Chess Players—Sign Up Now For Knoll Eliminations

An Oak Knoll Chess tournament will begin within the next ten days. More than a dozen persons have already signed to take part. If you like to be listed on the elimination lineup, contact Chief Baker, Ext. 570, or Chief Michalski, Ext. 424.

An appropriate award will be made to the local chess champion.

California Landmarks Will be Discussed at O' Wives Luncheon

Travel will be uppermost in the minds of Officers' Wives when they meet for their last luncheon of the season Wednesday at the Officers' Club.

John Sandoval of the staff of the Hayward Daily Review will speak on California landmarks and points of interest to visit during the summer.

Also on the agenda is installation of Mrs. J. E. Hamill as president for the coming year and Mrs. D. O'Neal as vice president.

Picnic style luncheon will be served at 1300.



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Change of Command Ceremonies Scheduled for 29 June



THE OLDEST CORPSMAN, John W. Mecum (retired warrant officer who enlisted in 1922) and the youngest HA, 17-year-old Lee V. Arnold of 41B, shared the cake cutting honors during last Saturday afternoon's celebration of the 65th anniversary of the Hospital Corps on the local picnic grounds. Looking on (left) is CDR Leslie H. Joslin, Knoll AO, an ex-corpsman who enlisted in 1934, and (right) HM3 Rudy Roybal of 67B. Approximately 400 staffers, their families and friends attended the picnic and enjoyed charcoal-broiled hamburgers, hot dogs and other refreshments. A semiformal dance was held that evening in the Knoll CPO Club to continue the celebration.

RADM Yeomans, COM12, to Address Graduating Interns on 28 June

RADM E. E. Yeomans, Commandant, Twelfth Naval District, will be the guest speaker when Oak Knoll graduates 17 medical and three dental interns next Friday, 28 June.

All hands—officer, enlisted, and civilian—who can be spared from their duties are urged to attend the exercises, which will begin at 1530 in the Community Services Building Auditorium.

LT Donald G. Hayden, senior intern, will follow Admiral Yeomans on the program, responding for his class.

RADM Hays will speak briefly on the intern training program, and RADM Clifford C. DeFord, District Dental Officer, on dental intern training. Also on stage will be CAPT William S. Baker, Jr., Executive Officer, CAPT Arthur J. Draper, Chairman of the Intern Training Program, and CAPT Paul Sutor, who supervises the work of the dental interns.

CAPT William P. Lane, CHC, will deliver the invocation and CDR Ross H. Trower, CHC, the benediction.

Members of the medical intern



Graduation Speaker.

class who will receive their diplomas from Admiral Hays on his last full day of duty in the navy are LTs Curtis A. Adams, Robert L. Brien,

(Continued on page 4)

RADM Hays Retires; RADM Andrews Will Become Oak Knoll's Tenth CO

There'll be ruffles and flourishes and presenting of swords when RADM Cecil L. Andrews, MC, USN, assumes command of Oak Knoll on Saturday, 29 June. He will relieve RADM Thomas G. Hays, whose five-year tour of duty here has spanned nearly a fourth of the life of the hospital. The occasion will also mark Admiral Hays' retirement after 35 years of service to the Navy Medical Department.

The ceremony will take place in Gendreau Circle, the same spot where the hospital was commissioned 21 years ago.

The Twelfth Naval District band will play a half-hour concert before the "Star Spangled Banner" signals the beginning of the ceremony.

Before a crowd of top-brass from Bay Area naval installations, retired personnel, Red Cross and civilian workers, the two flag officers will inspect the troops. Medical Corps, Nurse Corps, Medical Service Corps and other staff officers, hospital corpsmen, and Waves will stand at attention while the Sunday flag flies overhead on the most military Saturday of the year.

RADM E. E. Yeomans, USN, Commandant, Twelfth Naval District, will present Admiral Hays' Certificate of Retirement.

The retiring skipper will read the orders directing him to relinquish command of the hospital to Admiral Andrews. Admiral Hays' two-star flag will be hauled down from its familiar spot at the front of the Administration Building, and Admiral Andrews' identical two blue stars on a white field will be run up.

The ceremony will conclude the new CO's first week at Oak Knoll, for he will report Monday to become oriented to his new assignment, with Admiral Hayes "showing him the ropes."

Admiral Andrews comes to Oak Knoll from Washington, D.C., where he has been Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for Personnel and Professional Opera-



To assume command 29 June

tions since 1959. He previously served at BuMed as Head of the Training Branch and later as Director of the Professional Division. He was CO of U.S. Naval Hospital, St. Albans, New York, from January 1958 to October 1959.

Safe Driving Tips Offered by Veteran Indianapolis Racer

Fred Agabashian, who raced for eleven consecutive years in the annual 500-mile Indianapolis Speedway races, will visit Oak Knoll today and give two safe-driving lectures in the Bldg. 38 auditorium.

His lectures will include a half-hour movie of the highlights of the recent Indianapolis race.

Military personnel who have government drivers licenses are required to attend either the 1045 or the 1245 lectures. All persons who drive are urged to attend one of the lectures.

Military Air Fares Reduced by American

American Airlines, effective 2 June, extended its half-fare plan for military passengers on leave or furlough to include those discharged from active duty who are on their way home.

The plan will allow discharges to travel on American's Astrojets at half the jet coach fare, on a standby basis, provided they furnish evidence of discharge and are traveling in uniform within seven days of the discharge date.

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"OBSERVE WHAT YOU SEE"

Several men simultaneously receive a light and shadow image upon their retinas. With a few associations and computations, each man gives his analytical judgment of what he has seen.

The first man emphatically declares that he saw a chair and that there can be no doubt about his observation.

The second man concurs that the stimulation he received was an image of a chair. However, he declares that he observed more. He saw a peculiar grouping of atoms, and although he was unable to see each atom individually, he did, nevertheless, see them as they collectively formed a chair.

The third man quickly concurs with the former two observers, but he adds that he saw invisible laws at work, as each atom responded to the multiple effects of a pattern of laws, causing each atom to retain a relatively stable position, which collectively gave forth the image of the form and shape of a chair.

The fourth man agrees that he received an image stimulation similar to the three former observations. "But," he adds, "I see more. I see conclusive evidence of intelligence. I can practically read the mind of the man who made this chair while he was creating the chair. Furthermore, I see the evidence of a Supreme Intelligence, Who not only put rhyme and reason in the world of atoms but He also created a human brain with the power to pick up these atoms and intelligently set them into complex law patterns, thereby giving intelligent meaning and significance to the atoms, the laws, the human thinker, and to God, the Supreme Intelligence."

In this light, men would do well in taking another careful look at The Christ, lest they may have inadvertently missed a very significant observation pertaining to His divine nature and messianic mission. Such an observation of The Christ is vital and pertinent to every man who not only sincerely desires to discover his greatest reason for being, but also desires to explore the fullest sense of well-being.

CHAPLAIN ROBERT H. VITZ

Navy News Roundup

NAVY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS 200 CHANGES TO OPERATIONS—The Navy Advisory Committee headed by John H. Dillon, administrative assistant to the Secretary of the Navy, has published a 215-page report which outlines recommendations both procedural and structural in nature. If the majority are accepted, and Secretary of the Navy Fred Korth has approved the report in principle, the traditional responsibilities of the Chief of Naval Operations will be significantly increased. The report also deals with the use and retention of Navy manpower. It urges revision in duty tours and the elimination of activities that adversely affect promotional opportunities. It recommends that the administrative functions of the Bureau of Ships, BuWeps, Bureau of Yards and Docks and the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts be cut to a minimum and that these Bureaus concentrate on material support efforts . . . **USS THRESHER FUND STARTED IN BOSTON**—

A USS THRESHER Fund has been established to provide relief and educational assistance to the dependents of the naval and civilian personnel lost with the nuclear attack submarine USS THRESHER last 10 April. The Fund, which is under the trusteeship of the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston, Mass., will also provide similar assistance to members of the submarine service and their dependents. Anyone may contribute to the Fund by writing to USS Thresher Fund, c/o Old Colony Trust Co., Boston, (9) Mass. . . . **JOINT CHIEFS RENAME CARIBBEAN COMMAND**—The Caribbean Command has been changed to the United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM). The Department of Defense said, "these changes are indicative of the increased emphasis being placed by the United States Government on the countering of militant communist influence in the Western Hemisphere." Headquarters of USSOUTHCOM is at Quarry Heights, Panama Canal Zone. . . . **SENATOR HIRAM L. FONG (R-HAWAII)** has declared he will seek remedies for some of the "serious shortcomings" of the House-passed military pay bill currently under Senate consideration. At the top of the Hawaiian Senator's list is the "adoption of the principle of comparability." An Air Force colonel, the 55-year-old Senator was one of the planners of the Civil Service pay legislation enacted last year. He says the comparability principle OK'd for Federal employees, "should be extended to military personnel as well." Members of the Armed Forces, says Senator Fong, should receive "fair and decent pay on a par with civilian Government workers and employees in private industry."

Scuttlebutt

ROMANCE NOTES: Betty Winsby's daughter Sandra Marie is wearing a diamond—the gift of LTJG William L. Dowling, Assistant Administrative Officer. All in one weekend "Sandy" received her ring, was graduated from U.C., announced her engagement to her Kappa Delta sisters, and flew home with her fiancé to Hinsdale, Ill., for a reception given by his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Harry F. Dowling. The wedding will take place in the Oak Knoll Chapel on 7 September. Sandy and Bill met in the Record Office one day when she came to take her mother home from work. . . . LTJG Mary Jo Vogel of Pediatrics will be married tomorrow at a Nuptial Mass in St. Charles Catholic Church, Lima, Ohio, to Don J. Briselden, also of Lima. A Knollite since October 1961, Miss Vogel became engaged while on leave during the Christmas holidays.

RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS—*"Jungle Jim" Dineen checking out for Camp Lejeune and the FMF—in his Marine utilities!!*#%X. . . Dr. Paul Doolan here from NNMRI, Bethesda, for a visit to CIC, of which he was once director. . . . Chief Munce of ALD breaking his wrist during intramural softball Monday—and the chiefs lost to Personnel, too. . . . Dr. Chaiya boarding the bus in Berkeley at 0530 to make it to the Orthopedic Service in time for morning rounds. . . . Waves organizing for their 21st Birthday celebration. . . . LCDR George E. Gorsuch heading for New York, thence to London for duty with the Navy Support Activity. . . .*

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER: LT James E. Hansen no sooner reported for ENT Service duty than he was promoted to LCDR. . . . The NC has five new JGs — Meriellen Fruin, Marie D. Ormsby, Sandra Jensen, Bonnie Schilling, and Sandra Marriott.

THE HANDSOME BLUE & GOLD sign that welcomed the Western Orthopedic Society last week was the work of Jimmie Brown of 41A and OT. The sign bore the orthopedic emblem, with lettering done in parachute cord, giving the whole thing a nautical effect that was a source of pride to local orthopods.

PICTURES, ANYONE? Whoever ordered four large photos from the Navy Photo Center in Washington, D.C., may claim same at the Administrative Office by naming the ships that appear in the pictures. According to the note attached, the pictures were requested by letter dated 2 May.

LIFE BEGAN on 5 June for Kimberley May Wildey, 9 lb. 6½ oz. daughter of James Wildey, HM1, and wife Gladys . . . On 13 June for Roger John Ragsdale, 7 lb. son of LT Julian Ragsdale and wife Rosemary . . . On 13 June for Earnest Hugh Campbell, 7 lb. 10 oz. son of Earnest Campbell, HN, and wife Sandra . . . On 15 June for Christopher Paul Hofmann, 8 lb. ½ oz. boy for LT Richard Hofmann and wife Kaye.

The fortuneteller had just taken \$20 from one of the naive visitors. "This entitles you to two questions," she said.

"Goodness, isn't that a lot of money for only two questions?"

"Yes, it is. And what is your second question?"



FORMER KNOLL NURSE Jo. Howat became the bride of **Ken Hungrige** of Dermatology on June in the local Chapel. Chaplain **Harold V. Heaney** performed the 1300 ceremony. Following a reception in Fremont the couple departed for their honeymoon in Carmel.



ONE CHECK IS GOOD, TWO ARE BETTER. Apparently that's what Virginia Cheatham and Jewel Starks, nursing assistants in the pediatric ward, decided. Each received a check for sustained superior performance and each received a beneficial suggestion check at the CO's June meeting with civilian supervisors. Mrs. Cheatham received a \$20 check for an improved method of restraining infants, and Mrs. Starks a \$75 check for suggesting that plastic covers be used on sand bags that are used in immobilizing infants for treatment purposes. Her suggestion resulted in improved safety and patient care.

At the same meeting Harold Seibert of Pathology received a \$50 check for publication in the U.S. Medical Laboratory Quarterly for his idea for processing cytology smears. He had been granted an award of \$30 in February, when the hospital accepted his suggestion.

Twenty-year pins and letters of appreciation were presented to Louis Moschetti, firefighter; Lillian Dubois, military pay supervisor; Orange Flemming, mess attendant; and David Robertson, painter.

Safety Is Positive

Safety is positive. It is doing things the right way. It is interest in the welfare of others. It is a contribution to good living, to good government and respect for law and order, to efficient production, and to the well-being of every individual.

"You look like a million dollars," he whispered.

She sneered.

"After taxes," he added.



Class No. 37 of the Neuropsychiatric Technician's School was graduated on 7 June following 16 weeks of training at Oak Knoll. Present for the ceremony were, seated from the left: LCDR R. J. Arthur, Assistant Chief, NP Service; LT P. S. Weisberg, Medical Officer in Charge, NP School; CDR M. F. Wardell, Nursing Instructor; CAPT W. S. BAKER, Jr., Acting CO, who presented the certificates; CAPT T. B. Leberherz, Chief of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Guest Speaker; CAPT J. E. Hamill, Chief,

NP Service, and LCDR M. B. Haire, Instructor. Standing, same order: HN's Charles A. Dent, Dixie L. Kaylor, Christopher Shepherd, Dixie A. Glenn, Dale F. Duhamel, Robert B. Henderson, Donald E. Peterson, Terry A. Shuman, Richard J. Whittier, Thomas R. Hein, Frederick E. Strain, William L. Skwarek, Charles E. Reed, Lawrence C. Cornish, William B. Haley, Georgia Haigh, honor student; Michael W. Greenlee, Dennis P. O'Connell, Frederick C. Gebhardt, Jr., and Stephen F. Arthaud.

Highway Stalled Motorists Should Take Precautions

Because of the heavy traffic that will flood the nation's highways during the July Fourth holiday weekend, Oak Knoll's Safety Officer, CDR J. N. Brandt, passes on these tips in case of breakdown on the freeways.

In an emergency on freeways, whenever possible, drivers should stop their cars on the right-hand shoulder, well away from the through traffic lanes.

At night, the tail lights and the interior lights of the stopped vehicle should be turned on. If the vehicle is equipped with a turn-signalling indicator having an "emergency" switch, this should be turned on so that both the right and left turn signal lights will flash simultaneously.

Where a disabled vehicle is stopped in such a position that part or all the traffic lane is occupied, portable warning devices should be placed to the rear of the stopped vehicle to notify oncoming drivers of the traffic hazard.

Whenever help is needed, a white cloth or handkerchief should be displayed from the stopped vehicle so that it can readily be seen from other vehicles on the highway. In addition, the hood of the car should be raised.

After observing a distress signal, passing motorists should notify the nearest police, highway, or automotive service official at the first convenient opportunity, giving the location of the motorist.

Staff, Patients May Borrow 35mm Slides

Color slides for 35mm projectors are available to staffers and patients on a check-out basis from the Red Cross Lounge.

Subjects covered are scenic of the United States, European countries, the Far East, flowers, birds and animals and other camera studies.

Also on hand are slides of El Capitan, Yosemite National Park, that you can add to your own collection free of charge.



"WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU your Outstanding Performance Rating, your Sustained Superior Performance Award, Five-Year Safe-Driving Award, and checks for your many Beneficial Suggestions, but because of regulations prohibiting such procedures, we are substituting this heartfelt expression of the civilian staff..." Terrance Wright, Civilian Personnel Assistant, told Admiral Hays as he presented him this scroll at the civilian supervisors' meeting last week. The special award, given to Admiral Hays "in recognition of five years of outstanding leadership and friendship," was signed by approximately 450 civilian staff members.

Knoll Staff Doctors Provide Program For Calif. Orthopedists

Oak Knoll orthopedists provided the program when the Western Orthopedic Association's Northern California Chapter met at the Officers' Club on 12 June.

CDR Frank L. Golbranson moderated the program, which included three presentations:

"Immediate Weight Bearing Treatment in Fresh Fractures of the Tibia"—LTs Jerald J. Dohl and Rodney I. MacDonald; "An Analysis of Semilunar Cartilage"—LCDRs David M. O'Neal and Gerald W. Cady, with discussion by LCDR Charles S. Lambdin; and "Uses of Rib Osteo-Periosteal Bone Graft and Cellular Survival Study"—CAPT James R. Dineen.

Exam Dates Set For All EM Rates

Examinations for advancements in rating to pay grades E-4 through E-6 and E-8/E-9 will be conducted by the Navy during July and August.

Exams will be given on the following dates:

E-8/E-9 (senior and master chief petty officer), 30 July.

E-6 (petty officer, first class), 1 August.

E-5 (petty officer, second class), 6 August.

E-4 (petty officer, third class), 8 August.

The terminal eligibility date for advancement to pay grades E-8 and E-9 is 16 January 1964.

The Navy said that personnel who have been selected for appointment to commissioned status as limited duty officer (temporary) are ineligible to compete for advancement to senior or master chief petty officer.

Examination returns of these personnel, the Navy said, will be invalidated unless the individual concerned has notified the Chief of Naval Personnel that he does not intend to accept appointment to commissioned status.

All examinations will be held locally in the I & E Bldg. Personnel should report on their respective dates to Bldg. 25 at 0800.

Fire Chief Sez

CLEAN UP FOR A FIRE-SAFE HOME

A good, vigorous clean-out of trash is one of the smartest things you can do to keep your home and family safe from fire.

It's smart now, during summer Clean-Up. And it's smarter still if you repeat the job at regular intervals throughout the year.

Almost everyone's attic, closets and basement get to be the final resting place for clothing, draperies, lamp shades, mattresses, papers—the list is a long one—which seem to be too valuable at the moment to be thrown away. Every bit of it is fuel for destructive fire.

The risks of rubbish are shown by these National Fire Protection Association figures:

Five times an hour, 120 times a day, an American home is destroyed or damaged by fire starting in rubbish.

So add a trash can to the three tools you probably are using this summer—broom, rake and paintbrush. Fill it with all the junk you can find from top to bottom of your home—sacks of papers and magazines, old furniture, cleaning rags, dust mops, curtains. Make sure you do the basement workshop for shavings, scraps, oily rags, paint cans. Don't miss the garage either.

Remember, a little elbow grease now may save a lot of grief from fire later.

12ND Swim Meet Set for 26, 27 June at T.I.

The annual 12ND swimming and diving championships will be held Wednesday and Thursday, 26 and 27 June, at the Treasure Island swimming pool.

Trophies will be awarded for the first four places in all events. Team trophies will also be presented.

Any Knollite who would like to join the Hospital swimming team is urged to contact athletic director Ken Moffett, Special Services, Ext. 595. All registration for the team must be completed by Monday.

ARC Has Passes To Ice Follies

The Shipstad and Johnson's Ice Follies are in San Francisco for their 27th summer show, and the management has again, as in years past, provided free passes for patients.

The Red Cross will coordinate the reservations and provide transportation to the show each Tuesday and Thursday evening beginning 2 July.

World champion Donald Jackson, the Beattys, and the many lovelies in the Ice Follies lineup will provide top-notch entertainment for Knoll patients.

Interested personnel should contact the Red Cross worker on their ward, or call Ext. 573.

Navy Proposes 24 Surgical Teams For FMF Duty

The first of 24 proposed Naval Reserve surgical teams that would serve with the Fleet Marine Force in an emergency is expected to be established some time between July and September.

The Navy hopes to have a dozen teams "operating" by the end of fiscal 1964, and the remainder as soon thereafter as possible. Each team will consist of two surgeons, an anesthesiologist and 12 hospital corpsmen qualified in operating room technique.

Some of the new surgical teams would serve with the 4th Marine Division should it be called to active duty in a national emergency.

The Navy now has 20 surgical teams on duty assigned to the staffs of 14 Naval hospitals around the world. They are ready to go on independent duty or to the field with the Marines on short notice.

Intern Speaker

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Roger H. Butz, Terence R. Collins, Henry F. Davis, Clem N. Doxey, Jr., Jim H. Earls, Warren G. Eyre, Donald J. Hayden, Kenneth L. Mayes, Gerald F. Meier, James W. Moffat, Rainer S. Schmidt, Richard R. Stoughton, Larry Van Genderen, William D. Young, and Robert H. Zuege.

Dental interns graduating are LTs Paul B. Menges, Richard H. Sewell, and Donald F. Sheller.



MEMBERS OF OAK KNOLL'S SWIMMING team muster in the local pool during lunch hour and after the working day to perfect their speed, style and conditioning so that they'll be ready for the 12ND competition next week. Representing this hospital are, from left: Dave Hollingsworth, Steve Blakey, Jack Caldwell, Jerry VonFeldt, Steve Gunn, John Esser, Dave Worthen, Ransom Arthur, team captain; and Abe Conrique. Interested staffers who would like to join the team should call Dr. Arthur, Ext. 341 or Special Services, Ext. 595.

Oakland Gun Club Opens New Range

Oak Knoll pistol and rifle shooters will be happy to learn that the Oakland Pistol Club has opened a new range in Grass Valley Regional Park. The move was necessary after the range in Knowland Park was closed.

Oak Knoll Special Services has three membership cards available to staffers on a check-out basis.

The new range, located near the San Leandro Reservoir, is easily reached by taking Redwood Road out of Castro Valley.

The club offers five pistol ranges and three rifle ranges. There is ample parking in two nearby parking lots.

You may practice on the big bore and small bore 100-yard ranges daily. Plans for adding 200 and 300-meter ranges are nearly complete. Big bore rifle matches are held monthly. Small bore rifle shoots are held from time to time.

A very active Junior Division holds instruction and practice shoots every Saturday morning under the supervision of qualified instructors.

The pistol ranges—25 and 50 yards in length—are open for practice daily. Pistol matches registered with NRA and open to all competitive shooters, are held on the first Sunday of every month, March through December.

Knollites desiring to check-out the membership cards should reserve them for a specific date with Special Services.

Turn Signal Conversion Illegal

Knollites are reminded that conversion of turn signals from white to amber on pre-1963 model automobiles is a violation of the vehicle code section which provides that no device which modifies the original design or performance of any lighting equipment may be installed unless first approved by the CHP.

Who's for Grid Play This Year?

Ken Moffett has scheduled a 1 July meeting for all Knollites who plan to play football during the 1963 12ND varsity season.

Interested staffers are encouraged to contact Ken on Ext. 595 as soon as possible so that uniforms and other equipment can be ordered in proper sizes before the season begins.

Last year the Hilltoppers copped all honors in the District with an undefeated 9-win, 0-loss season. With plenty of practice and proper coaching, Ken is looking forward to repeating last year's record.

57,000 K-Bonuses For Pennsylvania Career Veterans

Anyone from Pennsylvania? You may have a bonus due.

The Pennsylvania Korean bonus must be applied for before next 31 December. State officials estimate that 57,000 eligibles have not yet applied . . . One reason may be that as of September 1961, eligibility was opened to two groups originally excluded, some of whom may not have gotten the word.

Career servicemen were originally excluded from the state bonus but are now eligible if they can prove legal residence in Pennsylvania on 1 January 1961.

Another group originally excluded were those servicemen who were not awarded the Korean Service Medal. The requirement for the Korean Medal is no longer a prerequisite to the state bonus.

Basic eligibility is legal residence in Pennsylvania on entering the service and at least 60 days' active military duty between 25 July 1950 and 27 July 1953.

Patients Invited To Salinas Rodeo

It's almost "Rodeo time" again. Each year during July Knoll patients are treated to the greatest rodeo in the state—the annual Salinas roundup on 19 July.

Arthur Ames of the Oakland American Legion Post has arranged for an air-conditioned chartered bus to pick up patients at 0900 near Bldg. 38, take them to the rodeo, treat the group to a dinner sponsored by the Salinas Associated Veterans' Council, and return to Oak Knoll by 2100.

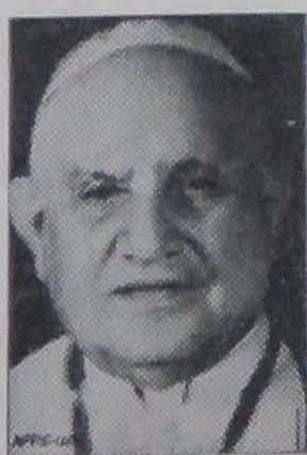
Box lunches will be provided for the noon meal.

Patients wishing to make the free trip must sign up at Special Services as soon as possible. Additional information may be obtained by calling Ext. 595.

NX Gas Station Shifts to TEXACO

Effective 1 July the Navy Exchange gas station will accept only Texaco credit cards, according to A. L. Smedberg, NX Manager.

Quote of the Week



"Any day is a good day to be born and any day is a good day to die . . . I always think of that other shore and submit to the will of the Lord, whether He decides to keep me here or call me to Him."—The late Pope John XXIII on his 81st birthday, Nov. 25, 1962.

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(Fold in half and then in thirds and staple.)

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In the Photos Below:

FADM Chester W. Nimitz, who was busy winning the war in the Pacific while Oak Knoll was built to receive its casualties, was among the first to congratulate RADM Thomas G. Hays upon his retirement from the Navy and RADM Cecil L. Andrews upon his assignment as Commanding Officer here. Moving down the page: Two Salutes, the words, "I relieve you, sir," and Admiral Andrews became this hospital's tenth CO. At lower left, RADM E. E. Yeomans, Commander Western Sea Frontier and Commandant Twelfth Naval District, presented Admiral Hays' Certificate of Retirement, congratulatory messages from the Sec-Nav, CNO, and Surgeon General. Lower right—Gendreau Circle at 1000 29 June 1963.

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★ ★ CHANGE OF COMMAND ★ ★



Admiral Hays Retires; Knoll's New Skipper Is Admiral Andrews

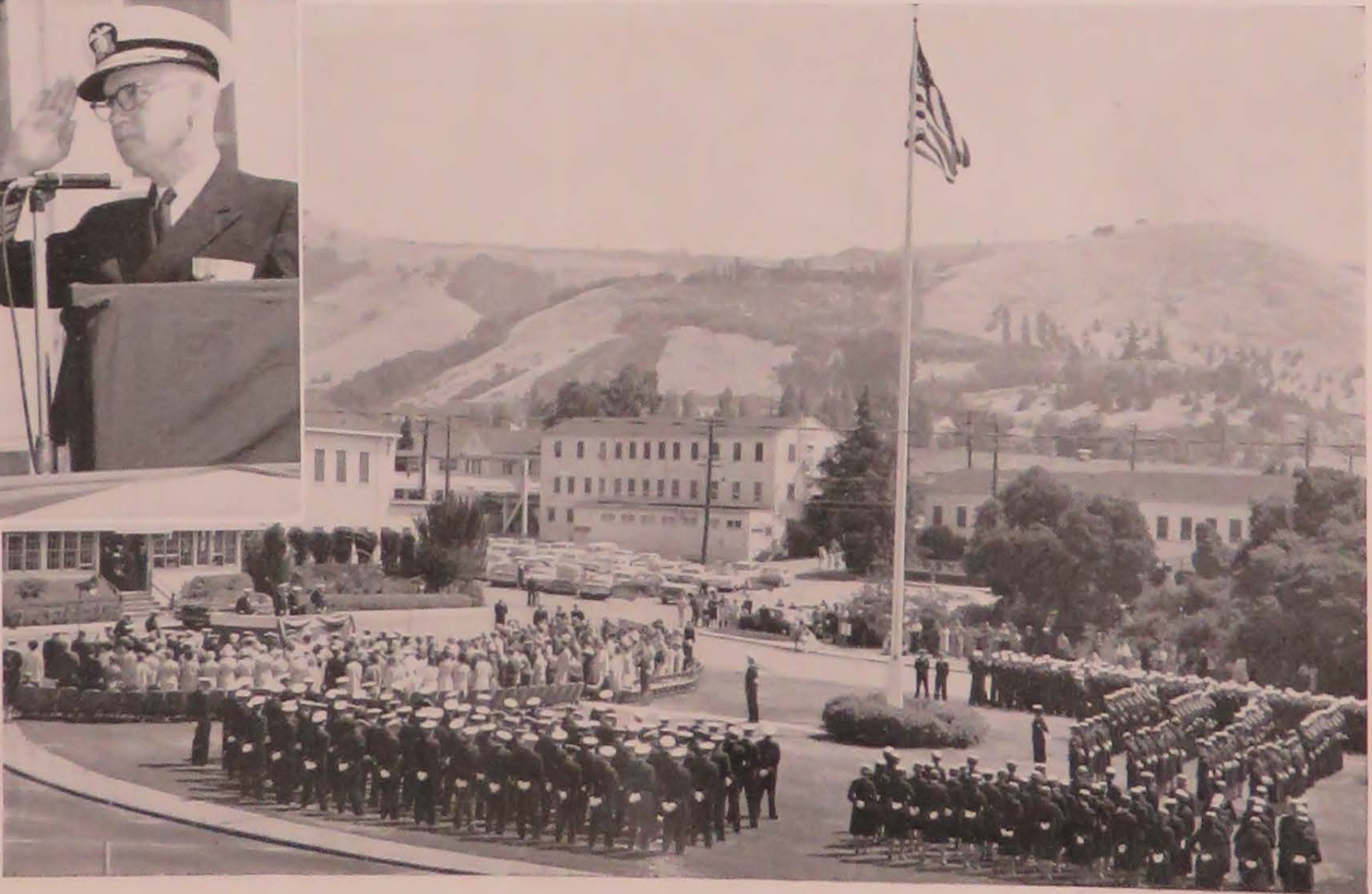
A gentle breeze unfurled the flag over Gendreau Circle. Sunshine warmed the crowd and bounced off the medals and gold braid. It was a perfect day for the Change of Command.

Music by the 12ND Band could be heard from the Main Gate as guests from as far away as Sacramento, Modesto, and Carmel Valley arrived.

CAPT C. K. Holloway, serving as commander of troops for the full-dress inspection, handled his sword with only slightly less confidence than he uses the scalpel.

The two Commanding Officers—RADM Thomas G. Hays, retiring, and RADM Cecil L. Andrews, his relief, briskly inspected the troops, while the audience—top-ranking officers from other Bay Area naval activities and their wives, retired medical personnel from the area who had served with Admiral Hays, representatives from various civilian groups, and civilian staff members—watched.

CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., Executive Officer, introduced RADM E. E. Yeomans, USN, Commander Western Sea Frontier and Commandant, Twelfth Naval District, who presented Admiral Hays' Certificate of Retirement. (Continued on page 6)



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THE SAILOR'S PSALM

The Lord is my Pilot; I shall not founder.
 He navigateth me beyond hidden horizons; He steereth me safely through treacherous channels.
 He sustaineth my ship.
 He charteth my course through tranquil seas for His Name's sake.
 Yea, though I crash against the gales and the storms of life, I shall remain confident and serene, for Thou art near me.
 Thy Word and Thy Light, they shall direct me.
 Thou preparest a harbor for my safety and shelter;
 Thou setteth a beacon to welcome me home. My hope is secure.
 Surely, by faith my ship shall continue to sail on even keel through all the tempests of life, and I shall sing praises to the Pilot of my ship forever. AMEN.

Chaplain Robert H. Vitz

Navy News Roundup

NAVY GRIDDERS FACE 10 GAME FOOTBALL SLATE—The Midshipmen of the U.S. Naval Academy have scheduled 10 football games for the 1963 season. Three will be played at Annapolis in the Navy-Marine Memorial Stadium. The first, with William and Mary, will be part of the annual Homecoming celebration. The other two games are with Pittsburgh and Maryland. Here's the complete schedule: Sept. 21—at West Virginia. Sept. 28—William and Mary (homecoming); Oct. 5—at Michigan. Oct. 11—at S.M.U. (Friday night). Oct. 19—V.M.I. (Oyster Bowl). Oct. 26—Pittsburgh. Nov. 2—at Notre Dame. Nov. 9—Maryland. Nov. 16—at Duke. Nov. 30—Army (Philadelphia). . . . **NAVY ASSIGNS NAMES TO FIVE SUBMARINES**—The Navy has assigned names to five new submarines now being built at various shipyards around the country. Three of the new subs are fleet ballistic submarines named the Benjamin Franklin (SSB-640), Simon Bolivar (SSBN-641), and Kamehameha (SSBN-642). The last two, nuclear-powered attack submarines, are named Sturgeon (SSN-637) and Grayling (SSN-646). . . . **NEW PRO PAY DELAYED**—The scheduled 1 July implementation of the first phase of the revised Department of Defense proficiency pay system has been delayed. "A definite program should be ready in a few weeks," according to William Gorham, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower Special Studies and Requirements. The reason for delay, Mr. Gorham says, is the necessity of further discussion on the program's revision. . . . **NEY AWARD WINNERS**—A destroyer, the USS FRANK E. EVANS and the U.S. Naval Submarine Base, Pearl Harbor, won the 1963 Ney Memorial Awards for the best Navy messes afloat and ashore. First runner-up awards went to the aircraft carrier USS ORISKANY, also of the Pacific Fleet, and the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas. . . . **ADMIRAL RICKOVER TO BE RECALLED AFTER RETIREMENT**—When Vice Admiral Hyman G. Rickover retires next February he'll immediately be recalled to active duty by Secretary of the Navy Fred Korth. In announcing the decision to recall the admiral, Secretary Korth said, "While I recognize that Vice Admiral Rickover has earned a peaceful retirement, I feel that the Navy and the country need his continued service so long as he is willing and able to contribute." . . . **THE USS THRESHER DISASTER** brought the Navy a request from Congress to compile a chart of all ship and submarine losses which have occurred, except in wartime, "throughout the history of the country." The resulting study lists 45 vessels; 20 in the period from 1854 through 1899, and 25 since 1900. Only four, counting the Thresher, have been lost since WWII.

Quote of the Week



"Keep worry from your mind and hate from your heart and you'll have a long and happy life."—James E. "Sunny Jim" Fitzsimmons.

Mr. "Fitz" trained Omaha and Gallant Fox, both winners of horsemanship's triple crown, The Kentucky Derby, The Preakness and The Belmont. He retired at the age of 88 after working with horses since 1885.



Oak Knoll lost two nurses to civilian life Friday, as LCDRs Julia B. Sagawe (left) and Margaret B. Jenkins retired, each with more than two decades in the service. They left just a day ahead of Admiral Hays, who presented their retirement certificates with a "well done." Both were assigned to the Out-Patient Clinic. Miss Jenkins will continue to live in Castro Valley, but Miss Sagawe's plan is to travel until she finds the place she wants to call home.

Knoll Anesthesiologists Are U.C. Professors

CDR D. R. Buechel, Chief of Anesthesiology, reports that members of his department are all members of the faculty at University of California Medical Center.

Dr. Buechel and LT C. P. Larson, Jr., are Assistant Clinical Professors of Anesthesiology; LCDRs A. E. Gilbert and E. P. Crawford are Clinical Instructors in their specialty.

Stanford Med School Promotes Dr. Pascoe

CDR D. J. Pascoe, Chief of Pediatrics, has just been promoted to Assistant Clinical Professor of Pediatrics at Stanford University Medical School.

NX Gas Station Opens, Closes Later

Effective 1 July the NX Gas station began opening for business daily at 0830 and securing at 1700. The Saturday hours remain the same—0900 until 1200.

Also on 1 July the NX service station began accepting only Texaco credit cards.



HN Rowland Franssen of Special Services was united in marriage to Miss Sharon Ann Sayre of Oakland in ceremonies performed on 22 June by Chaplain William P. Lane in the local Chapel. A reception followed in the Knoll CPO Club.



HN William R. Shult was released to inactive duty last week and was presented the Commanding Officer's commendation for outstanding work in the Pediatric Service for the past two years. "You have shown outstanding leadership ability, technical skill, and unusual awareness of every small detail involved in the day's work. You have made innumerable suggestions, many of which have resulted in a smoother functioning unit. On many occasions the letter continued, "you remained after regular working hours to complete necessary tasks and make sure that everything possible was done for the comfort and welfare of our young patients. Your efficiency, devotion to duty, and pleasant manner in dealing with patients and their parents were in the highest traditions of the Naval service and served as an inspiration to all your associates."

Fire Chief Sez

Be sure it's out!

When outdoors, make sure matches and "smokes" are completely cold before tossing away. "Ground" them if you're in the woods. When driving, use your ashtray and watch out for still-smoldering butts dropped on car upholstery or on the floor.

Highlights From the Saturday Ceremonies



AT THE CHANGE OF COMMAND (1) The ceremonies started with a prayer. (2) The Commander of Troops takes over. (3) LT R. B. Tatum, Security Officer, brought up the rear as the two flag officers inspected the well-scrubbed, well-pressed corpsmen. (4) Now it's the nurses' turn to stand at attention. (5) Captain Baker introduced RADM E. E. Yeomans, USN, who presented Admiral Hays his certificate of Retirement. (6) Ad-

miral Hays says thank you and farewell. (7) Admiral Andrews makes his first speech at Oak Knoll. (8) Look again and you can see Admiral Hays' flag being hauled down by HMCM Gasson, HM3 Baugh, and MM2 Doud. (9) LCDR B. D. Viele goes through the receiving line at the O'Club reception. (10) After the guests had all been greeted, the two Admirals and their ladies paused for a picture—At left, Admiral and Mrs. Hays, at right Admiral and Mrs. Andrews.



Porter



Hook



Dearing



Broadus



Cook



Gordon



Bradley



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Nine COs Have Guided Oak Knoll Through 21 Years' Service to Fleet

Nine COs have helped to write the history of Oak Knoll, to which Admiral Andrews will add the tenth chapter.

CAPT F. E. Porter (1 July 1942—1 September 1942) was called back from retirement to build and commission this "temporary" wartime hospital to receive casualties from the Pacific. He now makes his home in Berkeley.

CAPT F. R. Hook (2 September 1942—15 November 1943) continued the building program, organized the staff. He died at San Diego Naval Hospital on 2 February 1955.

CAPT A. H. Dearing (11 January 1944—11 January 1947) saw the patient population rise to 6,000. He was selected for flag rank at Oak Knoll. Living in the Chicago area, he recently retired after many years as Executive Secretary of the American College of Pathologists.

CAPT C. A. Broadus (17 February 1947—26 March 1949) was also selected for flag rank at Oak Knoll. When last heard from, he was raising black Angus cattle at Fleetwell, his Newtown, Va., farm and serving as Health Officer in his native King and Queen county.

CAPT S. S. Cook (31 March 1949—10 March 1951) and CAPT J. N. C. Gordon (10 March 1951—7 July 1953) shared the responsibility for casualties from the Korean War.

Admiral Cook (selected at Oak Knoll) has just retired from his job as Napa County Health Officer. Captain Gordon lives in Annapolis, where he commanded the Naval Hospital just before retirement.

CAPT B. E. Bradley (7 July 1953—17 January 1955) was promoted to flag rank here and served as Deputy Surgeon General until his retirement. He lives in Tenafly, N.J., is Medical Director of the Bankers' Trust Co., New York City. The hospital was designated a flag billet before his departure.

RADM J. Q. Owsley (28 March 1955—1 July 1958) crossed the bay for a tour of duty as 12ND Medical Officer before retiring to La Jolla. Plans for a new hospital were drawn during his tour of duty.

RADM T. G. Hays (1 July 1958—29 June 1963) served longer than any other CO, brought the long-sought permanent building nearer to reality than it has ever been.



RADM Hays' Message To All Hands

Although I am looking forward to retirement with greatest pleasure, it is also with considerable reluctance that I leave my many good friends at Oak Knoll. I am deeply grateful to you all for the hard work, loyalty, and friendship that have made my last and longest tour of duty in the Navy a most satisfying one.

This is not goodbye, for Mrs. Hays and I shall be living in San Francisco, and our paths will surely cross again. However, we do want to wish you and your families continued success and happiness in years to come and to thank you for your many kindnesses to us both.

I leave you in good hands. I have known Admiral Andrews for many years and was delighted when I heard that he was to be my relief. I know you will enjoy working under his command and that under his leadership you will continue to give your best to Oak Knoll.

T. G. Hays

Rear Admiral, MC, USN

Early to bed,
And early to rise—
And your girl goes out
With other guys.

* * *

Doctor: "You have acute appendicitis."

Chorus girl: "Look Doc, I came here to be examined, not flattered!"

ADM Andrews Comes From BuMed Born and Reared in Hoosier State

Oak Knoll's new skipper was born and educated in Indiana, earning his B.S. degree from Indiana University in 1926 and his M.D. from Indiana University Medical School in 1930.

Commissioned a lieutenant junior grade in the Medical Corps the same year, he served his internship at the Naval Hospital, Boston, Mass.

Early assignments were at the Naval Hospitals at Guam, Mare Island, and San Diego, and as Division Medical Officer on the staff of Commander Destroyer Division ONE, Scouting Force Pacific.

From September 1939 to June 1940 Doctor Andrews was a graduate student in internal medicine at Mayo Foundation, Rochester, Minn. Throughout his career internal medicine has been his specialty.

During the early period of WWII Admiral Andrews served at the Naval Hospitals in Washington, D.C., and Bethesda, Md., and in February 1943 joined the USS SOUTH DAKOTA as Senior Medical Officer.

For his service aboard the SOUTH DAKOTA, Dr. Andrews earned the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star Medal with Combat V. His official biography states that "on June 19, 1944, although wounded by shrapnel and stunned by bomb blast, Admiral (then Commander) Andrews worked tirelessly in the care and evacuation of the wounded, and although most of his first aid party was wounded, he contributed greatly to the speed and efficiency with which numerous casualties were cared for."

From the Pacific battle zone Admiral Andrews returned to Bethesda to serve as Assistant Chief of Medicine and later as Chief of Medicine. He also was Chief of Medicine at the Long Beach, Calif., and Newport, R.I., Naval Hospitals.

In 1952 he was ordered to BuMed to head its Training Branch and later to serve as Director of the Professional Division.

It was in August 1959, while he was serving as Commanding Officer at St. Albans, that Doctor Andrews was promoted to flag rank.

He assumed command of Oak Knoll after three and a half years as Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for Personnel and Professional Operations.

After hours, Admiral Andrews likes to swim or get outdoors for a bit of hiking. And he plays the piano but strictly for his own "amazement."

Dr. Andrews and his wife Ellen will live in Quarters D overlooking the compound. Their daughter Ellen spells her name with only "I" and is studying at the University of Colorado.



A "Well Done" From RADM Andrews

From the time that I received orders to Oakland Naval Hospital, I was delighted at the prospect of coming here, not only because it is such a wonderful place to live, but also because I shall again have the opportunity to serve our Navy directly in the field of patient care.

From my vantage point in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, I have watched Oak Knoll rather closely and have been aware that it is one of the outstanding military hospitals of our country.

My impression was confirmed at Saturday's Change of Command, which was the finest I have ever witnessed. The ceremony was a beautiful send-off for Admiral and Mrs. Hays and a wonderful welcome aboard for Mrs. Andrews and me.

I want to express my sincere thanks and "well done" to the entire staff, both military and civilian—for making the Change of Command an event which shall always be remembered with great pride and pleasure.

C. L. Andrews
Rear Admiral, MC, USN

SecDef Approves New Building for Knoll

According to unofficial word from Washington, The Defense Department has approved the building of a new multi-story hospital on this site.

Secretary of the Navy Fred Korth has been directed by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara to prepare plans and cost estimates for inclusion in next year's budget.

Friday, 5 July, 1963



20 Interns Receive Diplomas and Orders to New Duty

Graduation Address by Admiral Yeomans

Seventeen medical and three dental interns heard words of praise for the Navy Medical Department's service to the fleet at graduation exercises Friday, 28 June.

The speaker was RADM E. E. Yeomans, USN, submariner, former superintendent of the Navy Postgraduate School, Monterey, and Commander Naval Forces Japan, just prior to coming to San Francisco last October. He now serves as Commander Western Sea Frontier, Pacific Reserve Fleet, U.S. Naval Defense Forces Eastern Pacific, Naval Base San Francisco—and Commandant, Twelfth Naval District.

Admiral Yeomans was followed on the program by LT Donald J. Hayden, who responded for the interns.

"Looking back on this year of training, I feel that we leave Oak Knoll with a good background for the general practice of medicine and a good foundation on which to build in the future," Dr. Hayden said.

He concluded his talk by presenting a special award to LCDR Ralph E. Cutler, "who has shown exceptional ability and willingness to teach . . . whose breadth and depth of knowledge is such that we have all found him a stimulating person to be around." As a token of appreciation, the interns presented him with a professional volume he had wanted.

The intern plaque for the outstanding contribution to intern teaching for the second time went to CDR D. J. Pascoe and the Pediatric Staff. In making the presentation, Dr. Hayden referred to Dr. Pascoe's "extensive knowledge, fine clinical ability, sense of humor, and interest in the physician in training."

Admiral Hays presented diplomas to the medical interns, and Admiral Clifford C. DeFord, 12ND Dental Officer, to the dental interns.

Chaplain W. P. Lane gave the invocation and Chaplain Ross Trower the benediction.

The now full-fledged doctors and dentists represent 17 colleges in various parts of the United States. They will be much more widely scattered when they carry out their orders.

Five will go to the School of Aviation Medicine in Pensacola, Fla.: LTs Henry F. Davis, Clem M. Doxey,



ON GRADUATION DAY, 28 June, (1) LT Donald J. Hayden, senior intern, and wife Claire gingerly cut the cake baked for the reception by LCDR Harry Oakes and his crew—while the other interns and their ladies supervised. Nearby CAPT A. J. Draper anxiously awaited the return of his sword—after all, he was to "present" it at Change of Command the next morning, and all that frosting . . . (2) LT Paul B. Menges, DC, not only had his wife Lee here for graduation but also his parents, CAPT and Mrs. Harold F. Menges of North Island, San Diego, where Captain Menges is a chaplain on the staff of ComNavAirPac. (3) To LCDR Ralph Cutler of the Medical Service, Dr. Hayden presented a special award. (4) To CDR D. J. Pascoe went the Intern Plaque—which he and his staff also earned two years ago. (5) Dr. and Mrs. Moffat enjoy a joke with Dr. Draper. (6) Space did not permit inclusion of LT Robert M. Zuege's cane, but here he is with his wife Margery, who watched him hobble to the stage for his diploma. He was injured in a car mishap. Dr. Menges, foot in cast, was a softball casualty.

Jr., Rainer S. Schmidt, Kenneth L. Mayes, Richard R. Stoughton.

Going to the School of Submarine Medicine in New London, Conn., are LTs Terence R. Collins, Jim H. Earls, James W. Moffat, and Larry Van Genderen.

LTs Robert L. Brien and Gerald F. Meier will practice at NAS, At-

sugi, Japan, LT Warren G. Eyre at Kami Seya, Japan, with the USN Security Group.

LT Curtis Adams will join the USN Security Group Activity, Edzell, Scotland; LT Roger H. Butz will serve aboard the USS BRECKENRIDGE; Dr. Hayden will examine Navy recruits in Milwaukee, Wis.;

LT William D. Young will go to USNS, Guam; LT Robert H. Zuege to inactive duty.

LT Paul B. Menges will be treating caries aboard the USS HANCOCK, LT Richard H. Sewell aboard the USS RANGER. LT Donald Sheller will go to Cubi Point, Subic Bay, Luzon, P.I.



FAREWELL—CAPT Charles K. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Surgery since August 1961, was transferred last week to Naval Hospital, San Diego, where he will be Chief of Surgery. CAPT Holloway, a Knollite since September 1956, was feted with a cake and coffee party in Surgery II.



MISS BROOKLYN, Janet Parker, won't be there, but—You're all invited to the WAVES' 21st Anniversary dance scheduled for 27 July in the Knoll CPO Club. There will be a cake cutting ceremony and dancing until midnight. Dress is semi-formal.

RADM Andrews Takes Knoll Helm

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tirement, with letters from the SecNav, CNO, and Surgeon General—"well dones" for his 35 years of outstanding service to the Navy.

Admiral Hays responded with thanks to the staff, from his four executive officers down to the JANGOs, to the townspeople, the sister services, civilian groups, and personal friends. "All of you have helped make these five years profitable and pleasant ones for me," he told them.

He spoke of his pleasure at hearing the news of the Defense Department's approval of a new hospital "commensurate with the capabilities of the staff" and of his satisfaction at being relieved by Admiral Andrews.

The retiring skipper directed Captain Baker to haul down his flag, then introduced his successor, tracing his career and paying special tribute to his service in the Pacific, where he "cared for the wounded even after being hit by shrapnel and stunned by bomb blast."

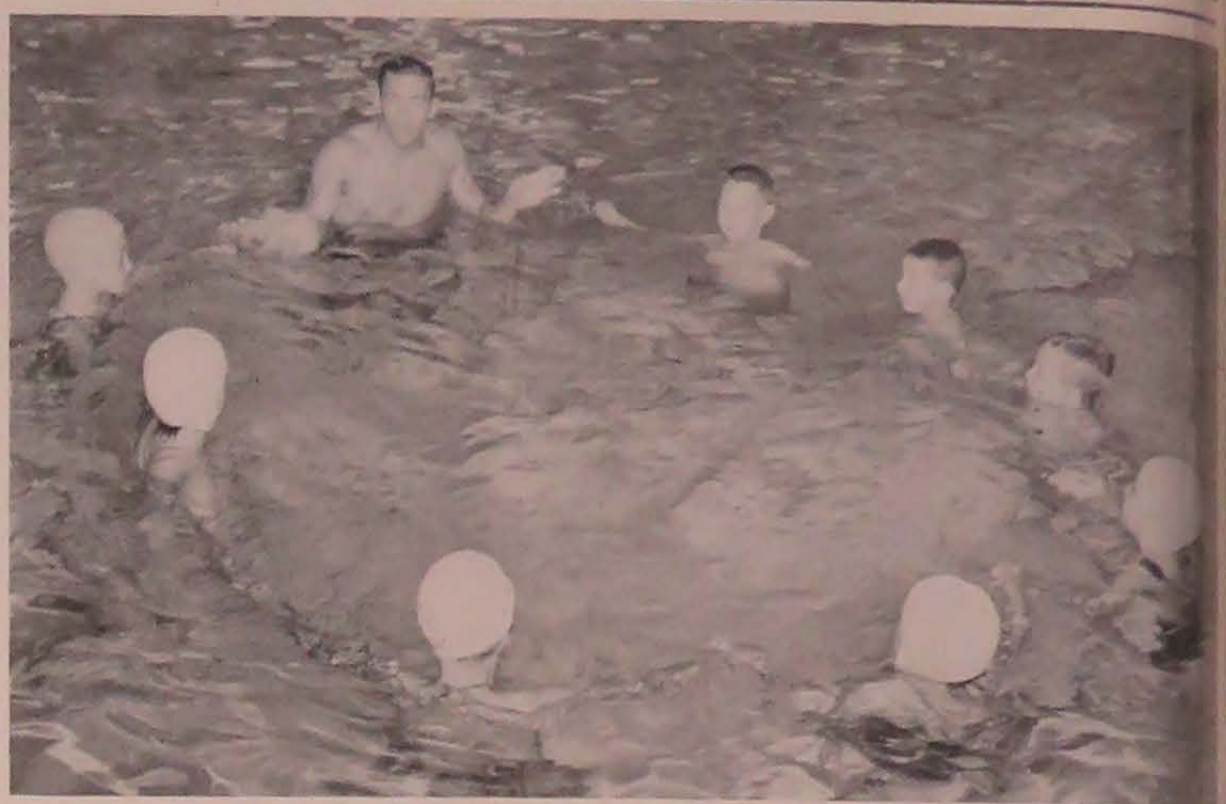
After reading his orders and directing that his flag be broken, Admiral Andrews in turn paid tribute to Admiral Hays' "outstanding ability as a clinician, teacher, and administrator." He spoke of the hospital's fine reputation, enhanced internationally by its contributions to the nation's People-to-People Program.

He spoke of the broadening scope of military medicine, which has become "startling when we think of the numerous and varied research efforts necessary to adapt man successfully to new stresses and new environments."

"We in the Medical Department proudly accept these responsibilities, and we will continually strive to meet each new challenge."

"Thus, today, as I assume my new duties I do so with pride in our Navy and our Country. I will do my utmost to continue the high degree of excellence for which this hospital is so well known."

The benediction, a few notes of the bugle, the crowd dispersing, the troops leaving the Circle. These marked the end of the ceremony and the beginning of a new regime at Oak Knoll.



RING AROUND THE ROSEY is just another game enjoyed by the tots during swim lessons Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings between 1000 and 1100. All dependent children are accepted for the classes. Because the number of trainees is small, individual attention is offered to each, thus swimming is learned more easily and quickly. Jack Caldwell (above) is assisted by Jerry VonFeldt.



UP FOR AIR during the beginners' swimming classes are Pam Aaron and Mike Larson—holding Jack Caldwell's hands for confidence and support. The instructors have scheduled beginner and intermediate courses of instruction throughout the summer months. Children may be registered for the next class by calling the Knoll pool—ext. 578.

Series E Savings Bonds are for growth—the interest they earn is added to their cash value every six months. They mature in seven years and nine months, and the Treasury has promised an automatic 10-year extension privilege beyond the maturity date.

15 Staffers Upped to HN

Fifteen staff corpsmen were promoted to HN (E-3) on 1 July after successfully passing the locally-administered advancement exam.

Sporting new stripes are J. J. Moore, J. R. Bell, J. E. Fennell, A. E. Sorensen, R. V. Misik, N. W. Ridge and R. A. Lyon, all of Nursing Service. Students advanced are G. W. Walker, D. W. Cain, W. L. Kerlee, G. H. Schleuning, R. K. Isbell, J. L. Gonzales, C. L. McCune and D. M. Roberts.

Call Is Out For Grid Team

Athletic Director Ken Moffett is still taking names for his 1963 12ND football team. Practice is held nightly on the local athletic field so that the candidates may work themselves into top physical shape before the official kickoff against Mare Island begins the season.

Candidates are reminded that uniforms and other equipment must be ordered well in advance in proper amounts and sizes. Help yourself and help your team by signing up now.



PIPED OVER THE SIDE—After more than 20 years continuous active duty, DT1 Angel I. Salazar of Dental transferred to the Fleet Reserve—complete with sideboys. A Knollite since 1958, he will make his home in San Jose where he has accepted civilian employment.



FOLLOWING 14 MONTHS of Blood Bank and Clinical Laboratory training, eight corpsmen and two corpswaves were presented their technician's certificates on 28 June by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., XO. Heading Class 21 as Honorman was HM2 Larry Shaw, who completed the training with a final grade of 93.43. Graduates were, from the left: HNs Raymond L. Rich, William B. King, HM2s Larry Shaw, Barnett F. Reeves, Orello L. Nolde, HM3s Patricia E. Webster, Raul Lopez, David E. Demars, Robert C. Nolde and HM2 John M. Webber.



THE NAVY MERITORIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE CITATION Admiral Andrews presented to Mrs. Joseph R. Breuer on 9 July was in recognition of her "outstanding contributions in the fields of education and international relations." It was the first ever given at Oak Knoll.



HM3 Ida Young of PT, who will be transferred to Hawaii next month, was presented a Commanding Officer's commendation last Friday for her outstanding technical skill and active interest in patients under her care during her tour of duty at Oak Knoll. "Your intelligent observations and suggestions in many cases have expedited the patient's recovery. On your own time you have prepared exercise charts and instructional devices to aid in teaching on-the-job trainees. Many of these charts," the letter continued, "are posted in the department and referred to daily by members of the staff. Your outstanding loyalty, professional attitude, conscientiousness, and pleasant manner have promoted efficiency and harmony in the department and have earned for you the respect and affection of all your associates," the letter read.

SecNav Citation For Mrs. Breuer

Mrs. Joseph R. Breuer—a Red Cross staff aide here since 1949—has received the Secretary of the Navy's Meritorious Public Service Citation—the second highest honor the Navy confers on a civilian.

The citation is in recognition of Mrs. Breuer's "outstanding contributions to the Department of the Navy in the fields of education and international relations."

"As a Red Cross volunteer at U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, Mrs. Breuer has generously devoted her personal time and effort to holding English language courses for Allied Nations trainees serving under the Military Assistance Program. Mrs. Breuer's selfless devotion to the cause of international understanding and good will is in the highest American tradition and has been of inestimable value to the Department of the Navy," the citation read. It was signed by Secretary of the Navy Fred Korth.

Presentation of the citation and accompanying lapel pin was made by Admiral Andrews on 9 July when Mrs. Breuer reported to teach her class, which currently consists of 13 Korean Navy doctors and a Korean Navy nurse.

"I couldn't do it without Joe," Mrs. Breuer said after recovering from the surprise of being cited for "work that I love." Mr. Breuer, an engineer with General Electric, frequently acts as host to the foreign officers, for they are "at home" to trainees throughout the year. In addition to conducting her weekly classes, Mrs. Breuer frequently accompanies her students on hospital-arranged tours that help acquaint

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Military Pay Raise Hearings Began This Week in Senate Subcommittee

Hearings on the military pay raise began on 16 July before a subcommittee headed by Senator Howard Cannon (D. Nev.). The senator said the hearings are not expected to run more than several days and he feels sure the subcommittee will report the bill out promptly after hearings are completed.

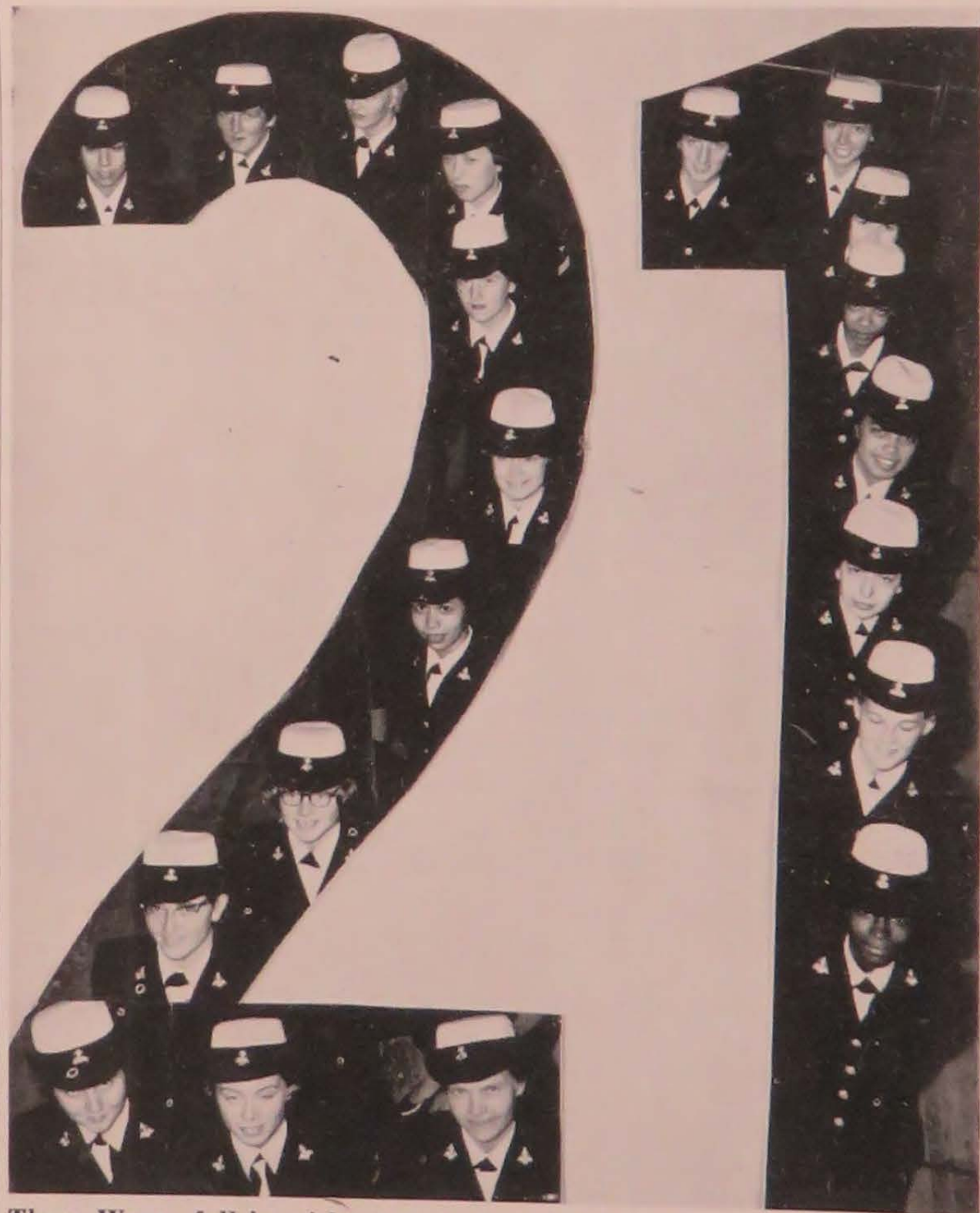
"I would anticipate that we would come up with some changes in the bill," Sen. Cannon said. "I am not convinced that the House bill is the complete answer."

The senator would not elaborate on this statement until he has studied the bill more and the subcommittee has started working on it.

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WAVES Become Of Age



These Waves fell in without a ripple when the photographer wanted to get a shot to publicize the Waves' Twenty-first Birthday dinner party to be held at the CPO Club at 2000 Saturday, 27 July. Spelling the Figure 2 are HA Lourdes Lucero, HM3s Beth Lee and Joyce Babcock, HN Mary Ann Winne, HA Kay Johnson, HM3s Brenda Brown and Constance Coombs, HNs Jo Ann Lawrence, Carol Nelson, and Mary Sullivan, DN Meg Whittemore, HM2 Florence Jones. Forming the Figure 1 are HNs Jackye Cox, Charlotte Houston, and Linda Matthews, HA Donna Green, HN Charlene Phillip, MA3 Mary Cepaldi, DT3 Diana Paris, and HN Sadye Bishop. There were supposed to be 21 Waves in the picture, but HM3 Ida Young didn't make it—apparently was delayed over there in Column 1.

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CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Morning Worship.....1030
 Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses.....0830 1215
 Daily Mass.....1200 in small chapel
 Confessions.....Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
 Novena.....Tuesday after 1200 Mass
 Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplain's Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.

Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

Navy News Roundup

MILITARY MUSIC MAKERS BRING FORTH BIG SELLERS—The first commercial recordings made by the four United States military bands, Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps, have become best-sellers. Recordings of the military music went on sale 1 May at \$3.98 for monaural and \$4.98 for stereo. Each record sold brings 95c to the fund-raising campaign to help build the National Culture Center in Washington, D.C. The center was established by Act of Congress in 1958 as a bureau of the Smithsonian Institution. . . . **HELP FOR MILITARY RETIREDS**—The Labor Department has announced it is going to try a new program to help military retirees find employment. Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz said his department has signed a contract with a social science research bureau to study retiree-job problems. . . . **SMALL STORES PRICES CHANGE 1 JULY**—Small Stores prices changed 1 July. Result: An average price decrease. You can now save on peacoats, white hats, undress blue jumpers, whites, dungaree trousers and skivvie shirts—some items increased in price. . . . **SECNAV** says daily expenditure cost for maintaining a fleet of 850 ships and 9,000 planes is \$35 million. . . . **CPO EXAMS** in 1964 will be held in February, with advancement dates of 16 May and 16 July. A second exam in August will have advancement dates of 16 November and 16 January. All men advanced to E-7 in 1964 will be able to try for E-8 in August 1968. . . . **SERVICE SCHOOL GUARANTEED**—Article 12.8 of the Transfer Manual provides an opportunity for men to request and have school assignment guaranteed to them upon re-enlistment. Personnel in pay grade E-5 and above may request the Class "B" school for their rating. Other personnel of all pay grades may request assignment to a school for which they are qualified. Personnel who desire to re-enlist for school assignment should submit their request three months prior to re-enlistment. If found qualified, they will receive their orders for school prior to re-enlistment. Those who are not qualified for the school requested or for whom no school quotas are available will be informed.

Navy Commendation to Mrs. Breuer

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them with the community, its industries and institutions.

Mrs. Breuer originally taught Spanish to hospital patients. As the Military Assistance program brought naval officers from foreign countries, there was a need for someone to assist them with their English so that they could gain the greatest benefit from their professional experience here. Claire Breuer accepted the job in addition to her regular one.

A native Californian and a graduate of Mills, she has taught English to naval officers from Pakistan, Thailand, Formosa, Japan, Korea,

the Philippines, Turkey, Colombia, Peru, and Mexico.

"We believe that our trainees gain from their experience here, that they are better able to serve when they return to their respective countries, but the help you give them, your wonderful hospitality, and your friendship will be remembered for the rest of their lives," Admiral Andrews told Mrs. Breuer as he offered his congratulations.

ECLIPSE

DON'T watch the eclipse tomorrow afternoon. Even with sunglasses or other protection, it could cause serious eye damage.

New Chaplain



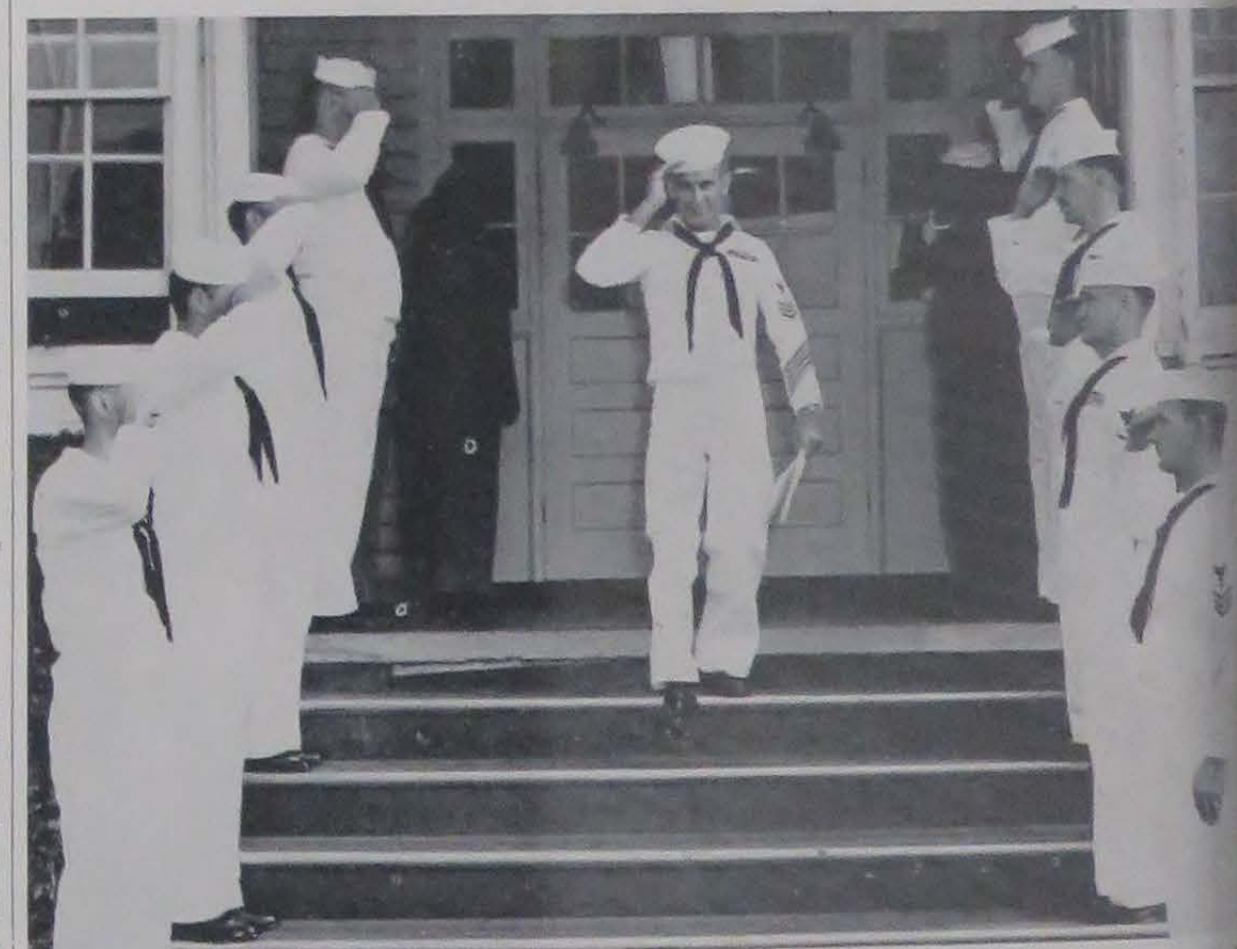
Chaplain Calvin G. Gardner reported to Oak Knoll for duty two weeks ago from the USS IWO JIMA (LPH-2), homeported in Long Beach. He has been assigned to the NP Service for one year's training.

A ten-year Navy veteran, the chaplain had earlier service with the Marines from 1943 until 1946 assigned to the USS General John Pope in the Pacific.

A native of Detroit, Chaplain Gardner graduated from Bob Jones University, Greenville, S.C., and did graduate work at the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill.

While aboard the Iwo Jima he took part in the Johnston Island A-bomb tests and during the Cuban crisis his ship operated in the Guantanamo area.

He is currently making his home in San Leandro with his wife Virginia and their four children—Mark, 10; Stephen, 8; Jennifer, 6 and John, 3 years.



HM1 Willie B. Hickey transferred to the Fleet Reserve last Monday after more than 20 years active duty. Hickey, who was assigned to ALD for his last tour of duty, returned the salute to Admiral Andrews and to his PO1 sideboys as he was piped "over the side." His lengthy career included duty aboard the USS MONROVIA (APA-31) and the USS SARA SOTA (APA-20). Other assignments included the Marine Corps Air Facility, Iwakuni, Japan, the First Battalion, 1st Marine Division and the First Battalion, 3rd Marine Division. Also, the Naval Submarine Base, New London, Conn.; and the Naval Hospitals at Charleston, S.C., Bethesda, Md., Philadelphia, Penna., San Diego, Corona, and Oakland. Hickey plans to make his home in Florida during "retirement."

Erik Karlsson

Wins CO's Praise

HM2 Erik Karlsson, CO's driver was presented a Commendation for his outstanding performance of duty prior to Admiral Hays' retirement 29 June. His Letter read, in part: "During the past two years while assigned as chauffeur for the Commanding Officer, you have performed your duties in an exceptionally meritorious manner. In this assignment you have always been punctual and dependable and have willingly and cheerfully remained on duty outside of regular working hours at considerable inconvenience to yourself whenever the occasion required. You have demonstrated your concern," the letter continued "for safe and courteous driving and have performed your many driving assignments without accident."

"In addition to your primary duty you have performed your additional clerical assignments in the office of the Commanding Officer and the Operating Services office in a creditable manner. You have set an example in neatness in uniform, courtesy, and military bearing and conduct, acting always in the best traditions of the Naval service," the letter read. Karlsson was promoted to HM2 last Tuesday.

Four CS Workers Awarded 20 Year Service Awards

Four civilian staff members received their Twenty-Year Service Awards from Admiral Andrews when he held his first meeting with civilian supervisors on 11 July. They were Marie Fulton, clerk typist, and Ernest E. Harris, cook, of Food Service; Helen Simmons, fiscal accounting clerk in the Disbursing Division; and Henry Bourdase, Pharmacy Service truck driver.



CAPT Donald W. Robinson

CAPT Robinson Takes Helm as Chief of Surgery

CAPT Donald W. Robinson, a Knollite and Assistant Chief of Surgery since last July, moved up to Chief of Surgery last week when CAPT C. K. Holloway, Jr., was transferred to Naval Hospital, San Diego, to assume similar duties.

The new Chief of Service began his Navy career in 1943 after earning his BA degree at Central Methodist, Fayette, Mo., in 1939 and his MD degree at Duke, Durham, N.C. He interned at Chelsea (Mass.) Naval Hospital, then served with the 7th Fleet surgical team in the Pacific until 1946.

He went into private practice as a surgical assistant in Slater, Mo., until he rejoined the Navy in 1950. Again in uniform, CAPT Robinson was assigned to the Naval Hospital at Great Lakes as a surgical resident. In March 1951 he was transferred to the cruiser USS TOLEDO and steamed once again with the 7th fleet in the Western Pacific. He began his first Oak Knoll tour in December, 1952, as a surgical resident, remaining here until May 1956, when he was ordered to the Naval Hospital, Guam, as Chief of Surgery. He held the same position at Camp Lejeune, N.C., until his assignment to Oak Knoll last year.

A native of Lynchburg, Va., CAPT Robinson is living in Quarters "A" with his wife Sue, and their two sons—Gregory, 16, and Donald Jr., 14.

Big Time Tomorrow At O'Club Corral!

A western dance and cookout where New York steaks (You select and cook 'em yourself) will begin to sizzle at 1830 tomorrow in the rear patio of the O' Club.

Officers in blue jeans and spurs (??) swing their calico-clad podders in square and round dancing in the ballroom from 2030 to 0030, with a professional doing the calling.

Tickets available at the Administrative Office, the Club, or from Entertainment Committee members—are \$1.50 for staff, \$2 for guests. There'll be somebody there to lasso the young buckaroos.

Scuttlebutt

SIGNS OF THE TIMES: Foggy mornings . . . Giant fans "replaying" yesterday's game . . . HNs Sadye Bishop and Linda Matthews delivering invitations to the WAVE Birthday party coming on 27 July . . . LTs Eugene Kostiuik, NP resident, and Preston Judson, intern, transferring to USN . . . The swimming team (to say nothing of NP Service) missing Dr. Arthur, who's now at Navy Medical Neuropsychiatric Research Unit, San Diego . . . Sign-painter George Wyness bringing the plaque in the Ad Building lobby up to date as Admiral Hays' portrait is added to the gallery of former COs . . . People insisting he's Dr. Ben Casey, though he IS ENS John Casey, clinical clerk, here from St. Louis for summer training . . . patients boarding the bus this morn for the Salinas Rodeo . . .

NEWLYWEDS: HN Jack Higginbotham is back at the Collection Agent's Office after 24 days' leave, bringing along his bride—the former Miss Gail Bynum of Birmingham, Ala. The wedding at her home on 23 June culminated a two-year engagement. Serving as best man was the groom's brother Joe, another Oak Knoll HN. A fringe benefit of the wedding was the corpsmen's visit with their parents in Tuscaloosa . . . Two members of the Surgery II staff—Clara Schoen and John Helm—celebrated Independence Day by slipping away to Reno to exchange marriage vows.

RANDOM NOTES: LTJGs Mary Naltner and Honora Savage spent last weekend aboard the USS PAUL REVERE with dependents en route to new homes in San Diego . . . LTJG Belton's 18-year-old sister Bridget, here for a month's visit, is working as a volunteer staff aide with the Red Cross Recreation program. She'll enter Marymount College, NYC, in September . . . The two U.C. Juniors employed by ARC this summer are Ann Stokes, who is working as a case aide, and Barbara Lozoff, recreation aide . . . Remember the Western Orthopedic Society sign so highly praised in a recent LEAF? The rope lettering WAS by Jimmie Brown of 41A, BUT the orthopedic emblem and other parts of the sign were by Artist Mike Arrigo of PRL . . . Yes, LCDR Franklyn C. Hill, Jr., USNR, recently here for training duty looked familiar. He interned here in 1950-51 and is now an Oakland neurologist . . .

OAKNOLLUMNI: LT Bruce E. Bradley, Jr., MC, USN, on 6 July claimed Lynn Dudley Smith of Duluth, Minn., as his bride. The wedding took place in the Glen Avon Presbyterian Church, Duluth . . . LCDR H. G. Armitage, MSC, who retired here in March after 28 years in the Navy and a brief tour as Special Services Officer, is Superintendent of Gila General Hospital, Globe, Ariz.

AIRMAN MAKES FORCED LANDING at Moffett is the headline LT R. D. Francis, MSC, sent along with this item. Mr. Francis had hardly become established in his new job as Medical Administrative Officer at Moffett when things became exciting enough to write home about. At the Dispensary, where babies are seen but not usually delivered, M/SGT Arthur Thomas, USAF, Ret., of San Jose rushed in early the morning of 24 June to announce that Letterman Hospital



LCDR E. A. Ambrose presented Mrs. Anna Stone the CO's "well done" when she retired 3 July.

Mrs. Stone Counts Cash, Closes Books, Looks Forward to Life of Relaxation

Anna Stone closed her books and retired 3 July after serving as Collection Agent at Oak Knoll for 16 years.

Many thousands of dollars passed through her hands, and it is a source of pride to her and the command that she never lost a penny—without later finding it. Her knowledge of her work, integrity, and fierce devotion to duty are well known to those who worked with her. Her careful bookkeeping and outstanding collection record are well known as far away as BuMed.

Before Mrs. Stone's departure, the Fiscal and Supply Division Crew assembled to hear its new chief, LCDR E. A. Ambrose, read her a letter of commendation from the Commanding Officer and to share the cake that said: "Good Luck, Grandma."

Mrs. Stone's plans for the future are "to visit Janet—that's my beautiful granddaughter—in San Diego, get up late every morning, hear music at the University of California (where I sent my son Don), and play bridge—when I want to."

was too far away. Well, shortly thereafter not only the first delivery at Moffett in six years but also the second occurred. Mrs. Thomas gave birth to twin girls.

LIFE BEGAN on 17 June for Erin Shannon, 7 lb., 14½ oz. son for Patrick M. Shannon, HN, NP Service, and wife Carol . . . On 23 June for Kenneth Lance Van Oosten, 8 lb., 2 oz. son for James H. Van Oosten, HN of OR, and wife, Mary Lou . . . On 27 June for Shenitta Lynn Willis, 6 lb., 8½ oz. daughter for Oscar Willis, HM2, Main Lab., and wife Nettie . . . On 27 June for Debora Kay Williams, 7 lb., 5 oz. daughter for George Williams, HM3, NP Service, and wife Sharrie . . . On 27 June for the 7 lb., 13 oz. daughter of LT Jess W. Bromley, Female Medical Clinic, and wife Elaine.

On 12 July for Jolie Renee Knight, 7 lb., 11 oz. daughter for Kermit Knight, HM2, of X-ray, and his wife Urlene . . . On 13 July for Mark Thomas Davis, 5 lb., 6 oz. son for LT Henry Davis, ENT Service, and wife Joan . . . On 16 July for Lester Franklin Fisher, 6 lb., 15½ oz. son for Lester Fisher, HM3, Special Services, and wife Donna.



SFC Tony J. Cruz of the U.S. Army was presented the CO's Commendation for his outstanding performance of duty during the six months he has been assigned to the Orthopedic Appliance Mechanic School at Oak Knoll. "During this period," his letter read, "your past experience and maturity have made you an outstanding member of the student body and an invaluable aid to your instructors. You have shown marked ability to learn new procedures with a minimum of instruction and to complete assignments thoroughly with little or no supervision. You are always willing to help your fellow students and have contributed significantly to the morale of the department. Your personal appearance and military behavior are highly commendable and continually serve as an example for your fellow students. At this Naval hospital," the letter continued, "all who have been associated with you feel that your service is in the highest tradition of the Navy as well as of your own service."



OAK KNOLL'S INTRAMURAL softball season is in full swing—as the above photographs depict. The OL cameraman was on the scene recently when the Chiefs met the hard-hitting lads from Personnel. In our photos, top from the left, we see masked backstop Ray Dodge ready to receive a hot pitch, with umpire Bobby Crone officiating. Slugger Bob Bristol hit a home run when he connected, sending the ball far over the head of the Chief's left fielder. Stang Michalski watches the play, ready to go down to 2nd. Personnel's catcher Chuck Hanna gives the pitch signal to his hurler. Juan Jose Parana cocks the bat back anticipating a fast pitch. Personnel pitcher Bob Bristol fires his screwball to the plate. CPO's hurler Razzle-dazzle Spurgeon concentrates on his batter. 1st baseman Pete for Personnel checks his fielders. Steve Gunn watching the ball approaching the plate. Ump Tony Martin watches the bases closely. Pete is ready for some fast action at 1st. Bristol points the way to the showers for Gene Farrar, and Chief Smith watches the pitch closely so he can race to 2nd. It was an exciting game—even though it lasted only five innings. Final score showed Personnel edging (?) their elders 18 to 2.



LEARNING TO FLOAT is really easy, as Joe Hughes learns during his swimming lessons in the local pool. Jerry VonFeldt, a staff corpsman and swimming instructor assigned to the pool, is on hand during all classes. It's not too late to sign up for the classes which began last Tuesday. Another class will begin the 2nd week in August. To register your children call the swimming pool, Ext. 578, or Special Services, Ext. 595.

NX Gas Prices Drop; Percentage of \$\$\$ Returns to Knoll

Gasoline prices at the Navy Exchange gas station have been reduced by two cents for both regular and ethyl, according to A. L. Smedberg, NX manager.

By purchasing your gasoline on the base, you are saving money and at the same time contributing indirectly to the welfare and recreation fund.

On 1 July only Texaco products were available at the local gas station, and only Texaco credit cards were honored for gasoline and other garage services.

Junior Golfers Win Sequoyah Tournament

Knoll duffers and others who shoot under 100 on the local golf courses would do well to call on CDR A. J. Guida's boys next time they're short making up a foursome. Or, if they're already booked, they might contact CAPT Lieurance's boy, Dick.

Vince Guida took top honors recently in the Junior Club Championships (9 to 15 years) after shooting an 85 for the 18 hole course. Tony Jr. copped 2nd place honors.

Winning top honors in the 6 to 9 year-old competitions was Dick "Big Red" Lieurance.

The championship playoffs were held on 9 July on the Sequoyah Country Club's famous course.

Promotions for Four

Two staff doctors—Robert Goodwin of Neurology and Joseph C. Honet, Chief of the Physical Medicine Service, have been promoted to lieutenant commander, as have Mildred K. Fisher and Eunice Fischer of the Nurse Corps.

LTJG Evelyn A. Roemelt is receiving congratulations on her promotion to lieutenant as is Chaplain R. L. Keys.

Nine Civilians Total 69 Safe Driving Years

Alick Bowater headed the list when safe-driving awards were presented Monday by LT W. L. Blankenship, Chief of the Operating Services Division. Mr. Bowater has driven 15 years for Oak Knoll without a chargeable accident (one causing damage amounting to \$50 or more).

Leslie Spect received an award for 11 years of safe driving. Gene Riggs 10, Virgil McGrew 9, Gus Matalas 7, Roosevelt Sewell 6, Sam Horton 6, William Sullivan 3, and Lucious Moore 2.



KNOLLITES Sharon D. Auran of Nursing Service and Pat Angelo of OR School were united in marriage on Friday, 5 July, in nearby St. Cuthbert's Episcopal Church, Mountain Blvd.



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WAVES Celebrate Another Anniversary



Oak Knoll WAVES celebrated the 21st Anniversary of their Corps with a buffet-dance in the Chief Petty Officers' Club. Among those present for the traditional cake-cutting were, from the left, HMC Ruth Higuera, HM1 Gertrude Werntz, HN Lynda Matthews, DKCA Mary Cole, HN Marion Dalin, HMC Kathryn Cartin (WAVE with most active duty time at Oak Knoll); Admiral Andrews, HA Kay Johnson (youngest corps-wave); DT3 Diane Parris, HNs Terry Joler and Mary Sullivan, and MASN Judy Causey. An orchestra provided dance music from 2100 until 2400. Knollites and their guests enjoyed shrimp, turkey, roast beef and ham—along with the usual relishes. The ladies were presented corsages upon arrival at the party.

Admiral Andrews Greets WAVES On Their Twenty-first Birthday

Tuesday, 30 July, was the 21st Anniversary of the day President Roosevelt signed the bill that authorized enlistment and commissioning of women in the Naval Reserve. By 1948 the WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service) were so completely accepted that President Truman approved a bill that made them a part of the regular navy. And a very important part they have become.

From a small beginning the Corps grew to a peak strength of 86,000 in World War II. Today, in peacetime, there are approximately 8,000 WAVES on duty in the Navy. They serve in every state of the Union including Alaska and Hawaii. They are on duty in Japan, Italy, Germany, and Brazil, and aboard ships carrying dependents.

I am told that Oak Knoll's first three WAVES arrived in February 1943, just a few months after the commissioning of the hospital. The number grew to 380 in 1945 when casualties from the Pacific swelled the patient population to 6,000.

Today in peacetime 60 enlisted Hospital Corps WAVES are helping us fulfill our mission. Five Dental Technicians are on duty here. The machine age has brought three Machine Accountant WAVES to our Fiscal and Supply Division, and the very important young lady who hands us our paychecks is a Chief Disbursing Clerk.

Our eight WAVE MSC Officers include trained dietitians, occupational and physical therapists, and a chemist.

Since my arrival here, I have heard nothing but the highest praise for our staff WAVES. I am sure you will continue to uphold the highest traditions of the Navy wherever you may serve.

Congratulations on your 21st Anniversary, and many happy returns of the day!

C. L. ANDREWS
Rear Admiral, MC, USN

New Pro-Pay Schedule Set For 1 October

The new Department of Defense proficiency pay system will go into effect 1 October, instead of the announced date of 1 July.

New policies to be used by the military services are outlined in DOD Directive 1340.2, dated 26 June 1963. However, detailed plans for implementing the new DOD policies, including lists of eligible specialties and rates of pay are still being developed.

The Defense Department anticipates that the existing schedule of proficiency pay rates of \$30 and \$60 per month will be increased on a selective basis for some of the specialties to be included under the specialty pay program.

The new directive spells out two distinct categories of proficiency pay systems, identified as specialty pay and superior performance pay.

The superior performance pay (HMs and DTs), will be awarded for 12-month periods only, based on competitive selection procedures. Initiation of these payments will be at the option of each of the military departments.

Promotion Exams Now in Progress

Candidates for advancement to E-8 and E-9 sat down to the annual fleet wide competitive examinations last Tuesday to try for the stars that will be added above their crowns. Yesterday, candidates for petty officers 1st class answered the 150-question tests in Bldg. 25.

Exams for E-5 (petty officer 2nd class) will be conducted next Tuesday and for E-4 (petty officer 3rd class) next Thursday.

Candidates should muster in the I & E Bldg., lower deck, by 0800 on the date of their examinations.

Ten Staffers Win Promotion to HN

Congratulations are in order for ten Knollites who were promoted to HN (E-3) on 1 August.

Sewing on new stripes yesterday were Edward McCollum, Dennis L. Casey, Richard P. Stumma, Laurence M. Levinger, Lourdes E. Lucero, Vincent T. Esser, Frederick J. Fisher, Forrest C. Dupuis and Ronald W. Buzzard, all of Nursing Service.

Rowland Fransen, of Finance, also was promoted.

Veterans Groups Host 19 Knollites During Annual Salinas Rodeo Tour

Nineteen Knollites returned from Salinas the evening of 19 June feeling they had seen the Old West at its wild and wooliest and enjoyed some of its finest hospitality.

The Salinas Rodeo, one of the outstanding shows of its kind in the nation, featured bronco bustin', steer wrestling, bull riding, calf roping—all the events that challenge the American cowboy and earn a cash award for the one who hangs on longest or wrestles his steer to the

ground fastest.

"Our group seemed to enjoy the trick riding most," said HMCA Harry N. Hughes, who supervised the trip, "—maybe because most of the riders doing the 'one-foot stand,' 'hippodrome stand,' and the 'suicide drag' were girls!"

The fun began for the Knoll contingent when the well-polished, air-conditioned Greyhound Bus pulled up at the Community Services Build-
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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

TIME TO THINK AND ACT

Life has a way of becoming all mixed up. We go along and the next thing we know, we have all kinds of troubles staring us in the face. There are more debts than we can pay; there are troubles in the family; and our work is not up to standard.

We didn't plan it that way. We want a good life, not financial problems; we want happiness and joy with the family, and our work to be outstanding and commendable. We didn't plan for it to be otherwise.

Maybe this is the crux of our problem: We didn't plan. There is no thought as to the future; no thought about the consequences of our actions today or tomorrow; no looking at life as a whole and not just at a small segment called "Now."

Christ told a story about ten young girls of whom five had thought about the future and five who did not. He also told the consequences of both. The five unprepared had disappointments and sadness. The five who had prepared received happiness and the fulfillment of their desires. This story you can read in the 25th chapter of Matthew.

But even more tragic, Christ reminds us, are those who drift through this life with no thought of their eternal destination. These find that when life is at an end, it is too late to plan. Now is the time to plan and prepare for this life and for eternity. "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Chaplain F. W. Kempson



LTJG Mary Jo Vogel of Peds returned to Oak Knoll after nearly a month's annual leave in her hometown, Lima, Ohio, where she was married on 22 June to Don J. Briselden, a civil engineer. The new Mrs. Briselden is back on duty while her husband is doing graduate work at Cal. Next fall he'll be working for the California Department of Highways.

Fire Chief Sez

OUTDOOR BURNING

IF YOU MUST BURN TRASH OUTDOORS . . .

1. Get a fire permit.
2. Use only an approved incinerator.
3. Choose a spot far as possible from any building.
4. Clear a strip of earth around incinerator.
5. Have water available; use water-soaked broom.
6. Keep the fire small.
7. Soak and stir embers well before leaving—make sure fire is out.

CDR Betty O'Malley Recruits MSC(W) Officers for Navy

CDR Betty O'Malley, MSC (W), who arrived in early January to serve as head dietitian, has since acquired another job.

She is BuMed Representative for procurement of MSC Women (Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, and Dietitians) on the West Coast. She served in a similar capacity in the East while on duty at Bethesda.

CDR O'Malley's recruiting duties include working with local recruiting officers and visiting various colleges to talk with their staffs and students with a view to building up their knowledge of the type of young women the Medical Service Corps is looking for.



HM1 Albert Guevera of the Lab returned to civilian life last week and took with him the CO's Commendation for outstanding service. He has been accepted for enrollment at Cal where he will continue his education in the field of Public Health.

His Commendation read, in part, "During the past fourteen months you have served as technician in charge of the Blood Bank—a very critical area in the laboratory, where perfection (and sometimes speed) in technical procedures and a calm personality in times of stress are required."

You have on every occasion met these requirements. You have also performed effectively as an instructor, giving laboratory technician students excellent training in the practical aspects of blood banking. Your courteous manner in handling your many telephone contacts with the staff have helped maintain the excellent rapport that exists between the laboratory and other departments of the hospital and have earned for you the admiration of all your associates," the letter continued.



ALWAYS ON THE LOOKOUT for be of service to its readers, the Oak Leaf checked the sun dial on Greenwich Circle recently and found that it is still registering on standard time. We are on daylight saving time. So, when synchronizing your watches by the sun dial, just add one hour to the time indicated by the shadow and you'll be at work on time tomorrow morning.

What is a Bitter Lug?

It's a litter bug who just can't stand to carry his coke bottle back to the rack. A bottle in the bushes does NOT beautify the grounds. And every bottle lost costs Navy Exchange 2 cents, hence cuts down the profits that go to Special Services.

Navy News Roundup

NAVY OFFERS PHILATELISTS SOME "COOL" POSTMARKS—

Philatelists may obtain covers postmarked in Navy post offices at the South Pole and Byrd Stations in Antarctica. In addition, Navy ships participating in Operation Deep Freeze during the 1963-64 Antarctic season (and which operate Navy post offices) will post mark covers. Postmarks from Byrd and South Pole Stations may be obtained by placing two addressed envelopes with U.S. postage affixed (or accompanied by an International Reply Coupon for each cover requested) in an envelope and mailing them to: DEEP FREEZE Philatelic Mail: U.S. Construction Battalion Center, Davisville, East Greenwich, R.I. . . .

NEW BATHYSCAPH REPLACING TRIESTE IS FASTER, LONGER—The five-dive mission recently concluded by the bathyscaph Trieste, in the Navy's search for nuclear submarine USS THRESHER, in effect ended the operational career of what might be called a Model-T of the bathyscaph. A new float, or principal structure, for the bathyscaph is due for completion at the Mare Island Naval Shipyard on 15 August. Search for the Thresher emphasized the limitations of the original bathyscaph. The new model will be longer, faster, and more maneuverable. . . .

ALL SERVICES TO ADOPT AMA STANDARD TERMS—The Department of Defense has ordered all services to adopt standard names and medical terms used by the American Medical Association. Until now two multi-service publications prescribed the terms used in medical records, "Joint Armed Forces Statistical Classification and Basic Diagnostic Nomenclature of Diseases and Injuries" (NavMed P-1294), and "Joint Armed Forces Nomenclature and Method of Recording Psychiatric Conditions" (NavMed P-1303). The Defense instruction orders that all diagnosis nomenclature for medical records be based on the "Standard Nomenclature of Diseases and Operations," 5th edition, published for the American Medical Association. . . .

COLD WAR MEDALS—The House has passed bills to allow the awarding of the Medal of Honor and other top medals in cold war situations and to ease the travel problems of military men. The bills now go to the Senate. The travel bills approved would allow advance movement of dependents, baggage and household goods at government expense and provide that the government would pay for travel performed when a man's orders are later cancelled or modified. . . .

RAILROAD REDUCES FARES FOR SERVICEMEN IN UNIFORM—Servicemen may now purchase one-way furlough or leave rate tickets on railroads throughout the United States. It is the first time that the railroads have offered the reduced fares except on round-trip tickets.



HMCS JOHN W. "Pappy" Hall of Medical Repair transferred to the Fleet Reserve last Monday after more than twenty-one years' active duty.

Chief Hall came to Oak Knoll two years ago after serving on the Pacific Fleet oiler USS PONCHATOU-LA (AO-148).

Other sea duty included the USS SOLAR (DE-221) and the LST-519.

Shore stations included the Dispensary at Charlestown Naval Shipyard, Boston, Mass., the Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Chincoteague, Va., the Naval Station, Kwajalein, and the Naval Hospitals in Chelsea, Mass., Yokosuka, Japan; Camp Lejeune, N.C., and Oak Knoll.

While a Knollite "Pappy" was responsible for keeping all medical equipment in top working order. He has also been assigned TAD duty to other shore stations and ships to perform maintenance duty on medical machines.

Chief Hall is returning to his home town in Buena Vista, Tenn., with his wife, Lilly and their two sons, Jimmy and Fred.



ENT TECHS—HNs Bill Tomlinson and Larry Baily were presented their technician's certificates by the XO after six months' on-the-job training at Oak Knoll. Both will be retained on board. Present for the ceremony were CAPTs LeRoy Wible, Chief of Service, Richard E. Lieurance and LCDR Imogene Johnson. Classes for ENT tech training begin every three months.

Scuttlebutt

RANDOM SIGHTS & SOUNDS: The jacaranda spreading a carpet of blue on the lawn in front of OPD . . . People complaining about the unusual heat . . . CAPTs Clark and Brown and CDR Golbranson serving as the "doctors in the house" aboard the USS RANGER during the dependents' cruise Tuesday . . . LeRoy Phanor receiving \$15 for his idea to convert a passenger bus into ambulance-type, with rear loading door for greater convenience in transporting patients . . . HN's Linda Matthews and Marion Dalin happily tagging the CO for dances at the Waves' Birthday Party Saturday night . . . Stan Clark, JO2, USNR, here from Salt Lake City for his two weeks' training duty, assisting with this issue of THE OAK LEAF . . . The same people mumbling about the cold weather . . .

WHAT, NO SHORT? Larry Little, Leo Smallie, Terry Long, Raymond Stout, and John Schlim are all on duty on the wards, and guess who's the shortest—Long, of course. He was 5 ft. 5 in. when last measured, whereas Schlim pushed the measuring rod up to 6 ft. 2, and weighs 160 pounds. Stout is not very. He is 5 ft. 8 in. tall and not long ago tipped the scales at 136 lbs.

YOUNGS are MORE NUMEROUS THAN SMITHS at Oak Knoll—We have Young, Michael; Young, Melvin; Young, Ida; and Young, Terrell, but Youngblood, Jack, who was 18 on 24 January, is the youngest of all.

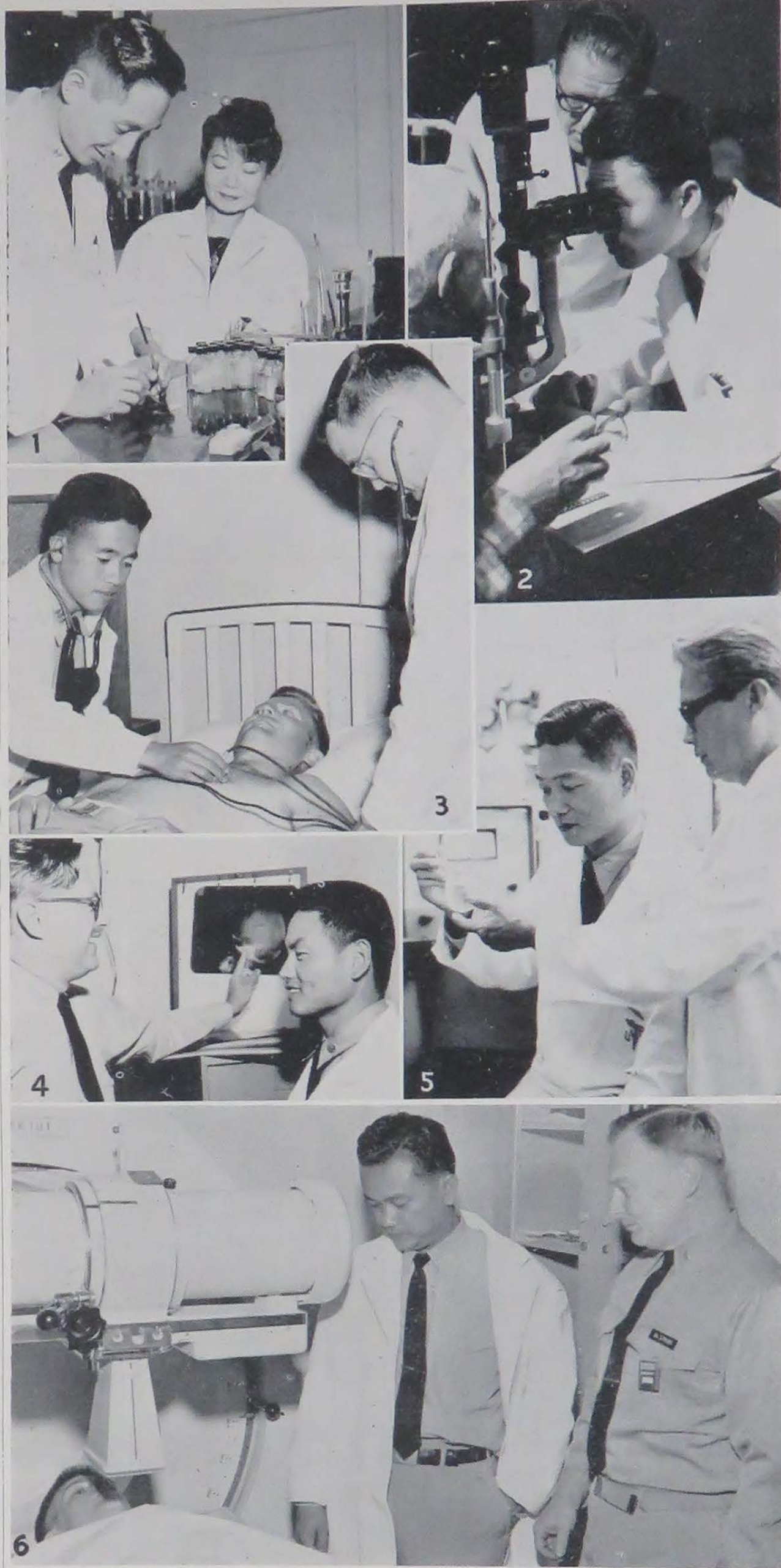
OAKNOLLUMNI: LCDR Lina Stearns, NC, USN, Ret., stopped in the other day, bringing the happy news that since last October she has been Mrs. Willis E. Wygant, Jr. Formerly of the Knoll NP nursing staff, she is now working in the psychiatric service of San Mateo General Hospital, and her husband is a chaplain at nearby San Mateo Juvenile Hall. They live in a hillside cottage overlooking the Pacific in the little town of El Granada on Highway 1.

LITTLE-KNOWN FACTS re WELL-KNOWN FOLK: Eight civilian staff members are former WAVES—Annie Smith, nursing assistant, Madeline Martin, Disbursing's travel agent, and Dorothy Thompson, public information officer, helped fight WWII. Former WAVES who served in peacetime are Florence Benigno, nurse, Gundrun Smith and Viva Mullin, nursing assistants, Betty Darriman of Fiscal and Supply, and Ruth Shannon, medical technologist in the Pathology Service.

A golfer, on a green near the highway, saw a funeral procession passing. He took off his cap, standing bare-headed until the last car had passed. His golfing partner commented, "That was respectful of you to show such courtesy, Frank."

"Well," replied the thoughtful golfer. "You know, we would have been married 28 years in March."

Residents of Los Angeles, who insist their motorists are the country's worst, tell of an injured pedestrian who was asked if he got the license number of the driver who struck him. "No," was the answer. "But I'd remember that laugh anywhere."



PEOPLE TO PEOPLE

Oak Knoll has recently said goodbye to a number of its foreign trainees who contributed their services to the hospital while learning techniques they will put into practice when they resume their duties on the other side of the Pacific. Photo (1) shows LTJG CHO Sang-ho checking a specimen in the bacteriology laboratory under the watchful eye of Martha Kumabe, medical technician. (2) LT SIN Han-ho, here for a year's training in ophthalmology, was the pupil of CAPT Richard Lieurance. (3) LT SONG Sang-won, who had his training in cardiology, examines a patient, with LCDR A. R. Chappelka, Jr., observing. (4) Neurosurgery had the services of LTJG CHANG Pyong-yol, shown here with CAPT Gale Clark interpreting a skull X-ray. (5) LT KIM Song-sik spent much of his time in the biochemistry laboratory working with Terry Rebolledo, medical technician. All of the above are Korean Navy doctors. (6) LCDR Chaiya Poolthong of the Thailand Navy divided his time between Orthopedics and X-ray, where he is shown with CAPT W. M. Strunk.

A 7-year-old boy was being taught the proper way to ask a girl for a dance by the teacher in the dance instruction class. A half-hour later the kid asked the teacher, "Now, how do I get rid of her?"

Interne: "Are you married?"
Patient: "No, I've been hit by a truck."

Litter, litter, litter bug—
Why not heed this benny sugg:

Don't scatter cigarette (or even cigar) butts, candy wrappers, kleenex, or other debris about the compound. Keep our landscape shipshape!

Want ad: Models who don't need them to pose in girdles.

Oak Knoll Again Sweeps District Sports To Win Commandant's Excellence Trophy

Oak Knoll is again the winner of the Commandant's Trophy for Excellence in Sports.

Ken Moffett, Knoll athletic director, and the many Knollites who were a part of the teams that participated throughout the year in District competitions, can be proud of their achievements in all sports.

For the record, Oak Knoll took 1st place in:

Basketball
Volleyball
Swimming

Football
Wrestling
Track
Pistol firing.

This hospital took 2nd place in baseball, tennis and badminton.

Third place trophies were awarded in bowling and table tennis.

The final results are not in for the 12ND golf competitions; however, Oak Knoll scored high enough to be a possible blue ribbon winner.

The trophy is awarded annually for competitions beginning with the football season and ending with softball. Only first-place trophies are counted for the annual Commandant's award.

Other qualifications required for the Commandant's trophy—besides producing winning teams—are outstanding leadership, interest, and sportsmanship. The trophy is symbolic of effective command leadership, organization and excellent programming.

Personnel Team Cops Top Honors In Softball Play

The Knoll intramural softball games are expected to last until the middle of August—but the rest of the contests will be "just for fun."

The Personnel-ALD team has sewed up first place so tight that the other seven teams will have to be happy with runners-up ribbons.

The "clinch" was last week's contest between Personnel and the usually intrepid EST Commandoes. However, as the game went into the final inning—with Personnel ahead by "at least" ten runs, the fight of the Commandoes had all but gone—even though their coach had threatened to go on the warpath again.

The champions of the Knoll competitions ended their season with a nine win and one loss (Dental) record.

Giants Invite Military To Four Home Games

Knollites may still take advantage of free Giants' home games at Candlestick Park.

The remaining games of the season open to the military in uniform fall on 21 August, with Milwaukee; 28 August, St. Louis; 4 September, Houston, and 25 September with Philadelphia.

ID cards must be presented at the gate.

The best ten years of a woman's life are between 35 and 36.

Quote of the Week

"My feeling is that in the seventies, the world will witness four big powers—the United States of America, Europe, Russia and China. I am convinced that it will be the path of wisdom for world leaders to take these considerations into account in their formulation of foreign policies."—U Thant, Secretary General of the United Nations.



Read This and Weep—With Laughter

Now that the time for summer reruns is here, the OAK LEAF offers this one from the 30 November 1956 issue:

One of our staff nurses, formerly an instructor at corps school at Corpus Christi, Tex., and San Diego saved these little gems to show that no matter how hard a corpsman may study, there's always room for improvement.

In spelling, for example, the instructor came across these. If you don't recognize the word at first glance, try to pronounce it. It will come to you.

vorichgassett
sico patient
inphytilperasisis

Asked the proper name for abnormal respirations, the instructor got these answers, among others: Clyde-Choates, Change stroke, choke system, schennstotts, steropnea.

The abbreviation "SOQ" was spelled out by two young hopefuls—
(1) Sulfur, Orgyrol, Quinine and
(2) Surgeon Operating. Quiet!

ETH one corpsman interpreted as

Entrance To Hospital.

Definitions of medical terms included the following:

embolus—that small depression on the stomach which we call the belly button.

phlebitis—inflammation resulting from a flea bite.

catheterization—has to do with amputations. The rough ends are catheterized to make them smooth and unprotruded.

sordes—a place where we can eat in Los Angeles. Also bed sordes.

diagnosis—what the doctor thinks is wrong with the patient before he examines him. After the examination, it is called cyanosis.

hypotension—resistance to hypo needles.

sphygomonamometer—an instrument used for measuring "sphygots."

lysis—bugs crawling over the body.

CO₂—the man who takes charge when the Commanding Officer goes ashore.

Salinas Rodeo

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ing. The bus was chartered for the trip by Oakland Post of the American Legion, through arrangements made by Oak Knoll's good friend, Arthur Ames.

A parade opened the three-hour fun-packed show that was "worse than a three-ring circus—with clowns, trained horses, band music, barrel racing, and innumerable other events all going on at once."

After the rodeo was over, the Oak Knoll group joined Army and Air Force patients for a fine dinner prepared for them by members of the Associated Veterans Council of Salinas. Not only that, they were given six homemade cakes to bring home to their shipmates.

Patients making the trip were SN Paul Kasdorf, HM1 Joseph L. Watts, OM3 Morris Hermanson, YN3 Fredrick Chinn, BM1 H. H. Springer, SN C. E. Finnel, SH3 E. L. Oldham, ADM3 R. A. Gonsales, SK1 William D. Easley, and PVT R. E. Ley, USMC.

LTJG KWON Sok-hyon had the distinction of being the only woman attending from Oak Knoll. Other Korean Navy trainees who enjoyed the excursion were CDR CHO Choon, LCDR KIM Yong Chol, LTJG SIN Yong-il, YI Myong-Sik, KIM Song Sik, KWAK Pan-tal, and LTJG CHO Sang-Ho.

Keep our landscape shipshape!

A coke bottle in the rack is worth 2 cents more than ten in the bushes.



NEW PHYSICAL THERAPY TECHS—Dr. Joseph Honet, Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Training (left) presents HNs Randy Gibbs, Walt Scheidereiter and Joseph Cervantes their PT technician certificates after 40 weeks on-the-job training. Looking on are CDRs Maurine Meckes and Marion Bates, staff physical therapists. CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., XO, congratulated each upon the completion of their training and wished the staff corpsmen a successful and rewarding career in their chosen specialty.



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R. N. SAWYER

J. P. TYSON



LTs R. J. WYLES

C. A. COOPER, DC

W. G. HOUSLEY, DC

R. B. McWILLIAMS, DC

17 Medical, 3 Dental Interns Begin Navy Career at Oak Knoll

Seventeen young medical officers who make up the intern class of '64 are well along in their second month of a rigorous year's training. They represent medical colleges from coast to coast and Canada.

The University of Washington, Seattle, has three representatives in the class—LTs Stanley E. Donahoo, David O. Haugland, and LT Robert R. Salisbury. Seattle is home to all three.

LTs Donald F. Fincher from Tulsa, Texas, and John P. Tyson of Coleman, Tex., earned their MDs at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston.

LTs Preston L. Judson of Indianapolis and Thomas A. Gehring of Hammond, Ind., were classmates at Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis; LTs Robert N. Sawyer of Buffalo, N.Y., and Ronald J. Wyles, North Canton, Ohio, both

trained at Western Reserve University Medical School, Cleveland; LTs Cary Leverett of Ardmore, Okla., and Robert E. Ringrose, Guthrie, earned their MDs not far from home at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center, Oklahoma City.

LT James E. Clegg of Eupora, Miss., is from the University of Mississippi, Jackson; LT William H. Donnelly earned his medical degree at the University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; LT Louis L. Davis of Jacksonville, Fla., went to Howard University, Washington, D.C., for his MD; LT Eugene F. Luckstead of Wyoming, Ia., to the University of Iowa, Iowa City; LT Anthony D. Migliore to Tulane Medical School, New Orleans.

LT LeGrande J. Phelps is right at home at Oak Knoll. He served as a hospital corpsman here during the

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Senate OKs Pay Raise 84-0; Adds \$5 More For Most Petty Officers

By an overwhelming 84-0 vote the Senate has passed a military pay bill which will give an average 16.6 percent increase to the nearly two million persons now in the uniformed services with over two years' service.

1 October is still the suggested effective date.

The Senate version of the pay bill must now be approved by a Senate-House conference committee to iron out the differences and reach a compromise. The bill then goes to President Kennedy for his signature.

The pay raises would range from \$5 to \$230 per month, depending on rank and longevity. The biggest increase would go to officers below the rank of captain and to skilled enlisted technicians and petty officers.

Officers with over two years' service will receive an average increase of 18.8 percent, and enlisted men with over two years' service would average 15.5 percent.

Included in the Senate version are increases for both officers and enlisted personnel with less than two years' service.

Commanders and captains with at least two years' service would receive from \$10 to \$30 a month more under the Senate version.

An extra \$5 a month pay boost has been recommended by the Senate for E-4s through E-7s.

These increases are above those recommended by the House.

Other Senate proposals are:

- Additional pay for physicians and dentists who remain in the military for more than six and ten years.
- Deletion of an increase in enlisted ration allowance and officer subsistence allowance.
- Rejection of "hostile fire" pay retroactive to 1 Jan. 1961. A \$55 a month pay for service under "hostile fire" conditions during peacetime was approved.

• Authorize Secretary of Defense McNamara the power to determine which enlisted personnel are entitled to special pay for foreign duty.

The Senate accepted a House provision to allow all personnel retired prior to the 1958 pay increase to recompute their retirement pay, if this would benefit them more than a five percent across-the-board pay increase.

Hail and Farewell At O' Club Tomorrow

Hails and farewells will be exchanged at the Officers' Club tomorrow night, with cocktails and buffet from 1900 to 2100 in the ballroom and dancing in the Mikado Room from 2100 to 0100.

Baby sitters will be available.



CAPT Robert A. Loeffler became a civilian on 31 July after more than 20 years' service, the last three of which he spent as Head of this hospital's Plastic Surgery Branch. He will practice in San Leandro with his Oak Knoll predecessor, Dr. Leo Potter, and he and his wife Betty and their five daughters will continue to make their home in Castro Valley. His relief is LCDR Mario Vasquez, who served his internship and had residency training here from '54-'57.

CAPT Gale Clark Joins Cal Faculty

CAPT Gale Clark, Head of the Neurosurgery Branch, has been appointed to the faculty of University of California Medical School as a lecturer in neuroanatomy. He had a similar assignment at Harvard University Medical School from 1958-63 during his tour of duty at USNH, Chelsea, Mass.

Two CS Workers Pass 20-Year Mark

Two more civilian workers have passed the 20-year mark in their Federal Service careers. They are Helen C. Liston, Food Service mess attendant, and Rafael Jimena, Public Works gardener.

Mr. Jimena has served all 20 years at Oak Knoll. Mrs. Liston began her service at the Oakland Quartermaster Depot, and came to Oak Knoll in November 1945.

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"TROUBLED WITH TROUBLES"

Sooner or later, trouble becomes the middle name of every man. The troubles may vary, but they are generally tailored to fit the man. However, the cut of the yoke does not necessarily change the painfulness, nor the heaviness of the load.

Troubles borne by men are only the secondary factors that differentiate them. The real difference among men is conditioned and formulated by the personal attitude that each entertains and holds toward himself and the ratio in which he holds himself in relation to the troublesome burdens that are voluntarily and involuntarily yoked upon his shoulders.

In one memorable race, the tortoise outran the hare, only because he would not be shaken from his firm conviction that he was not beaten until the race was over. His handicap was more than obvious, but he renewed his strength with a recount of his remaining assets and felt assured that they warranted his eligibility to stay in the race. As it so often happens in life, his worst handicap turned out to be the one asset that made him the winner by a wide margin over the fleet-footed hare.

Handicaps can become superior assets to anyone who remains undaunted in spite of all the odds he finds stacked against him. There have been many Helen Kellers, yet how many know or remember the Helen Kellers who were not handicapped with deafness and blindness?

On the other hand, who among men does not know of THE Helen Keller, and of how she surmounted the impossible handicaps of deafness, dumbness, and blindness? Is there a man who dares to believe that he would not receive Heaven's richest blessing if he stood in her presence? The Good Book reads, "They who sow in weakness will reap in strength." The truth of these words become obvious to anyone who is willing to take God in as his life-long partner.

—Chaplain Robert H. Vitz

Navy News Roundup

FREEDOMS FOUNDATION OPENS 1963 CONTEST—All members of the Armed Forces on active duty are again eligible to compete in the annual "Freedoms Foundation Letter Writing Contest." Prizes total \$8,500, including a \$1,000 cash award for first place. Letters must be 500 words or less on the subject: "What Can I Do for Freedom?" Entries postmarked no later than 1 November 1963 must be mailed to Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa. . . . **AMERICAN AIRLINES REQUESTS HALF-FARE EXTENSION**—American Airlines has asked the Civil Aeronautics Board to extend through April, 1964, the military half-fare plan which the airline introduced last March. The plan normally would expire on 15 September. Surveys show that the reduced fare has stimulated a substantial amount of new air travel by the military. During the period April through June, American carried 86,011 military half-fare passengers. . . . **E-8 AND E-9 SELECTION** Board is scheduled to meet on 18 September. Promotion chances are excellent. 692 vacancies left from last year because candidates either did not apply or failed to pass the tests are in this year's quota. . . . **POLARIS SUB FLEET** growth demands more volunteer physicians for submarine duty. The present 81 billets will grow to 120 in the next two years. Sub doctors have collateral duty aboard Polaris subs as information officers. . . . **NESEPS SOUGHT FOR COLLEGE WORK**—The Navy has gone hunting again for enlisteds who can qualify for its Navy Enlisted Scientific Education Program (NESEP). NESEPs gets an uninterrupted four-year college education at government expense. It's open to E-4s and above. Complete details are in BuPers Inst. 1510.69G, available in the Staff Personnel Office.

Quote of the Week

"Our three governments have today taken what all mankind must hope will be a first step on the road to a secure and peaceful world."—Secretary of State Dean Rusk at signing of Nuclear Test Ban Treaty in Moscow.



A NEW RECORD PLAYER and a selection of records were presented to the NP service this week by the Hayward Navy Mothers' Club. Receiving the gift was LT M. B. Liptzin, Medical Officer on 47A. Representing the club were Mrs. Paul Childs, club commander, who made the presentation and Mrs. Betty Ryon, hospital chairman. They were accompanied by a dozen members of the Hayward group.

Oak Knoll Streets Named for Doctors Who Lost Their Lives in World War II

Oak Knoll, with its streets, to say nothing of its buildings going at angles, is probably a confusing place to a stranger—and perhaps to some who are not so strange.

It's a fair bet that 90 percent of us do not know Trojakowski Street from Evans and do the other 10 percent know where those names came from?

Of course Gendreau Circle, marked by the flag, is frequently called by name. The circle honors the memory of CAPT Elphege A. M. Gendreau, MC, USN, who was killed in combat in the South Pacific on 21 July 1943 while on duty as fleet surgeon for the Pacific Fleet. (Admiral Andrews remembers him from 1936, when both were serving at Mare Island Naval Hospital. Dr. Gendreau was a commander, Dr. Andrews a lieutenant junior grade.)

Blackwood Street, which begins at the main gate and runs to the north boundary, is named for CDR James D. Blackwood, MC, USN, senior medical officer of the USS VINCENNES when she was lost the night of August 8, 1942.

Johnson, Alexander, and Crowley Streets are named for three officers killed in action at Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941. They were CDR Samuel E. Johnson, MC, USN; LCDR Hugh R. Alexander, MC, USN; and LCDR Edward E. Crowley, DC, USN.

Johnson Street, one of the longest, skirts the north and west sides of the hospital; Alexander is the right hand fork running past the library from Blackwood; and Crowley starts at Gendreau Circle and runs to the north boundary.

Evans Street, which also starts at Gendreau Circle and runs to the north boundary, honors LCDR Edward E. Evans, MC, USN, who was killed during action in the Solomons on 12 December 1942.

Trojakowski, a short road near the main gate and terminating on Blackwood, is named for CDR W. C. Trojakowski, DC, USN, killed in action in the South Pacific on 12 June 1942.

Ringness Street, running from Gendreau up to Ward 74, honors LT Henry R. Ringness, MC, USN, who was awarded the Navy Cross posthumously for extraordinary heroism while under fire on Guadalcanal.

Miles, a short street extending from Gendreau and running between Wards 72 and 70 is named for LTJG Samuel S. Miles, MC, USNR, who was killed in the battle of the Solomon Islands while serving with the 1st Marine Division.

Rall Street, which starts at Blackwood and goes past the Wave Quarters and Occupational Therapy, honors LT Richard R. Rall, MC, USN, who was killed at Pearl Harbor.

Supervisor: What does this mean . . . someone just called to say you were sick and couldn't come to work today?

Worker: Ha, ha! The joke's on him. He wasn't supposed to call up until tomorrow!



NAME: _____

For Outstanding
 DISSERVICE to
 the Landscape
 Month August
 Year 1963

If the space fits, write your name in it!

More Than 100 Patients Helped Every Day in PT



(1) Chief of Physical Medicine, LCDR Joseph Honet, uses the stimulator of the Electromyograph on Rosetta South, a dependent receiving outpatient care. This machine determines nerve conduction velocity. This step of the examination is followed by needle insertion to determine muscle electrical activity. (2) STEP BY STEP Fireman Norman Englebaugh gains the strength and confidence to walk again. CDR Maurine Meckes, MSC, supervisor of therapeutic exercises, instructs the patient while HM3 John Evans assists. (3) CDR Marion Bates, MSC, PT Supervisor, applies a form of heat—high frequency sound waves—to HN Walt Scheidreiter of Exercise Two. The Ultrasound "deep heats" the area to be treated. This patient receives daily five-minute applications.

Knoll Physical Therapy Department Helps Patients to Walk Again; Rehabilitates Amputees, Treats Sprained Backs and Pulled Muscles

Oak Knoll's Physical Therapy department helps an average of 110 patients each day. Most are active duty personnel with needs varying from complete rehabilitation following surgery, an amputation or severe disease process to simple muscular exercises.

Heading the department is LCDR Joseph Honet, Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, who personally evaluates each incoming patient on his first visit to Bldg. 2. He prescribes treatment required for the patients' needs and weekly reviews the results of therapy and modifies the prescriptions accordingly.

Many Electromyograph examinations are referred to him. This machine determines both nerve conduction velocity and electrical

activity in the muscles.

Supervisor of PT is CDR Marion Bates, MSC, who noted that the 110 daily patients receive nearly 500 treatments. Mrs. Bates explained that many patients require more than one exercise or technician's attention. The PT department's dual purpose is to help administer physical agents and therapeutic exercise to help rehabilitate patients with injuries and disease problems of a mild or more serious nature.

Within the department are three areas—each playing an important part in patient care.

Exercise One—amputee training—is staffed by Korean veteran Corbit Ray. His knowledge of the amputee's needs and problems—he is one himself—helps him to do his job well and show his patients what

proper exercises and training can do.

Exercise Two—general therapeutic exercises—and Exercise Three—progressive heavy resistance exercises—are supervised by CDR Maurine Meckes. She is assisted by HM3s John Evans and Kay Toth, and HNs Randy Gibbs and Joe Cervantes, all on-the-job-trained PT techs. Also working with patients in these exercise areas are HNs Ronni Reese, Jack Hood, Terry Baldwin and HA Fred Willuhm.

The Hydro and Thermo therapy rooms are under the supervision of CHMEDSERWNT Marion Cramer. Helping her with the whirl-pool machines are HM3 Brenda Brown and HNs Carl Carpenter and Gail Schleuning. The patients may place an arm or a leg in the smaller ma-

chines for therapeutic treatment, or they may be required to lie in the Hubbard tank where the entire body receives the benefits of the swirling warm water baths.

Nearly 80 percent of all treatments in PT include some form of therapeutic exercises. These exercises are designed to help the patient re-establish muscular and joint function, thus helping to develop his physical independence.

This department helps to complete work begun in other departments and ultimately returns the patient to duty or to civilian life.

To become a PT tech, corpsmen spend a 40-week supervised training period in all sections of the department and receive their PT technician's certificates upon successful completion of the course.

Knoll Interns

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Korean War. Salt Lake City is his home, and he has his MD from the University of Utah, not to mention an MS in genetics.

Oak Knoll's three dental interns are LTs Charles A. Cooper of Birmingham, Ala., DDS, University of Alabama; LT William G. Housley, Union, N.J., University of Iowa, Iowa City; and LT Robert B. McWilliams, Columbus, O., Ohio State University, Columbus.

All but seven of the 20 are USN. All but five are married, and the group brought a total of 17 children to Oak Knoll, Dr. Sawyer leading the class with his four.

The bachelors? Drs. Donnelly, Gehring, Haugland, Cooper, and McWilliams.

Scuttlebutt

NEWLY-ENGAGED are Jackye Cox, HN, of Staff Detail and Brad Besaw, HM3, of Peds Clinic. Jackye is from Paragould, Ark., Brad from Scottsbluff, Nebr., but they met at Oak Knoll. No date has been set for the wedding, but they have the wedding band to match the diamond Jackye is happily showing her shipmates.

CONGRATULATIONS to Janice J. Marshall of the Nurse Corps. As of this week she is a LTJG.

RANDOM NOTES: David Patrick Drake, HN, has re-enlisted for another 6 and Ralph Barkeley, HN, for another 4. . . . Dr. Louis Davis served as a corpsman during the Korean War—at the Army's Letterman General Hospital! . . . Mae Mullen has moved up to supervisory teller at the Collections Agent's Office—the post from which

Anna Stone recently retired. . . . LT Gordon McComb, MSC, has returned to his "old stamping ground" from Brooklyn. He was a corpsman here from '48-'50, returned in 1954 and was studying at EST school when his commission came through. . . . Tuesday inspection parties keep discovering "leaky facets" according to the reports. . . . Dr. Luckstead is a man of many hobbies—golf, tennis, barbershop and choral singing, Dixieland music (we failed to discover whether he makes it or collects it), boating, snow and water skiing. . . . So many doctors and nurses have volunteered to accompany the USS MIDWAY on tomorrow's family cruise that LCDR Daniel has dispatched the ship to see if the number exceeds the space available. . . . Vivian Swofford is vacationing in the Grand Tetons. . . . Gary Winter, HM3, was born on 29 December 1942, and James Spring, HN, ar-

rived on 28 February 1943. . . . Severo Ladrido, formerly of Photo Arts writes his thanks from the USS HANCOCK for "sending these sea-going sailors the OAK LEAF" but complains bitterly about lack of coverage of games—the GIANTS' games. . . .

LIFE BEGAN on 2 August for Christopher Mark Stoughton, 7 lb. 15 oz. daughter of LT Richard Stoughton (Anesthesiology) and wife Loretta. . . . On 3 August for Joey Shelton Pyeatt, 7 lb. 9 oz. boy for David Pyeatt, HN (StaffPers) and wife Linda. . . . On 5 August for Alison Lea Giese, 4 lb. 7¾ oz. girl for LT Arthur T. Giese (NP Service) and wife Judith. . . . On 13 August for Peter Edward Wilcox, 7 lb. 6 oz. son for LT James Wilcox (Optometrist) and wife Helen. . . .



ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY—Oak Knoll received the 12ND Trophy for track after eliminating NAD Concord, Stockton, NSC, Oakland, and others during competitions held in the Mt. Diablo High School, Concord, recently. Presenting the command trophy to Admiral Andrews were HA Otto Alexander, who excelled in the high jump event, and Knoll athletic director Ken Moffett. Not present for the photo were John Porter, who won honors in the high hurdles event, and Steve Arthaud, who eliminated all opponents in the pole vault division. These three are the only team members still on duty at Oak Knoll.

Club Calendars

CLUB TRADEWINDS

- ☆ Happy Hour once a week, unannounced.
- ☆ Cold cuts and bar snacks weekly.
- ☆ Beginning this month, Sports films shown weekly.
- ☆ Staff dances as announced.

CPO CLUB

- ☆ Game night every Friday 2030. Hamburgers and French Fries.
- ☆ Dinner and dancing every Saturday night, 1900. For reservations call Ext. 415.

- ☆ Happy Hour once a week, unannounced.
- ☆ Hamburgers daily, 1130-1230.
- ☆ 31 August. SPAGHETTI, all you can eat—\$1. Dancing, too. Begins at 1930.

OFFICERS' CLUB

- ☆ Hail and Farewell, Every other month as announced.
- ☆ Hamburgers daily, 1130-1300.
- ☆ Happy Hours—Wednesday and Fridays, beginning at 1630.
- ☆ Tranfusion hours, Mon. Tues. and Thurs. Beginning at 1630.

LADIES HEED — GENTLEMEN NEED NOT READ.



FORMALS ARE FINE FOR OPENING NIGHT AT THE OPERA.



BLUE JEANS ARE JAUNTY FOR GARDENING.



LEOTARDS ARE LOVELY FOR LEAPING



SHORTS ARE SHARP FOR A PICNIC.



SLACKS ARE SLICK FOR SPORTS.

BUT SWEATER AND SKIRT OR A SIMPLE DRESS ARE SUITABLE FOR A VISIT TO THE DOCTOR, SHOPPING AT THE NAVY EXCHANGE OR GOING TO THE BANK

Game Wardens Nab Dads Without Fishing Licenses

Angling without a license continues to be the number one violation of fish and game laws! Last year there were 3,331 citations issued for this offense, with 11,584 arrests made for all types of violations.

Also, the number arrested for angling without a license was nearly three times the number arrested for the second leading offense—carrying a loaded gun in a car. There were 1,171 arrests for this violation.

One of the causes of fishing without a license comes about when parents take children fishing.

Parents often take their youngsters fishing without intending to do any fishing themselves. But in many cases, particularly with small children, an adult may give a hand in landing a fish or in untangling a line.

Once the grownup gets the rod in hand, the natural thing to do is to make a few casts. First thing you know, the parent has landed a fish, and this leads to more fishing. Pretty soon, along comes a fish and game warden. The story ends with a citation and a fine.

It's a good idea for parents who plan only to "take the kids fishing," to get a license—just in case.

No licenses are required when fishing from the Berkeley public pier.

Bowling Clinic Begins for All Knollites—Free

Special Services has started a "bowling clinic" in the local bowling lanes.

All hands are invited to take advantage of this free service.

The clinic—organized to help the occasional bowler improve his overall game—will be headed by HMCs John Forbush and Jack Pazin.

The group instructions will be held throughout the week, except Tuesday and Thursday nights, which are reserved for the regular bowling leagues.

More information is available from Special Services, Ext. 595, or the bowling lanes, Ext. 592.



HANDY CRAFT — That's HM2 Marge Craft of OT, who has just completed this handsome coffee table to decorate her 47-foot house trailer in Castro Valley. Marge estimates its value (if you were to buy it downtown) at \$200. The design in leather, covered with glass, is a revised commercial pattern. The wood is mahogany with a dark oak stain and satin finish. The entire project was made during off duty hours in her trailer.

Do You Like . . .

By Michael John McCarthy, HM3

Do you like the grass,
The rolling kind, fresh green,
That sort of flings itself
Skyward, flicked with delicate
White blossoms, like first-fallen
Snowflakes? Yes?

Do you like wind,
Pulling and tugging at you,
Freezing your lips,
Filling your lungs;
And the sun, showcasing
The world in reds and blues
Like a land-flung rainbow? Yes?

Do you like children with
Worlds in their eyes, all
Surrounded with fresh cheeks
And happy laughter? Yes?

Would you like a woman by your
side,
A frail, flirtatious female,
Who flings your amores windward,
And flies like a delicate fawn?
Would you like to catch her? Yes?
Have you ever pictured Khrushchev
As Santa Claus?
Nope.

New Striped Bass Map Of Bay Area Offered

The new Striped Bass Fishing map is now available.

A revised edition of the Department of Fish and Game's striped bass map is fresh off the presses and may be obtained from any office of the Department.

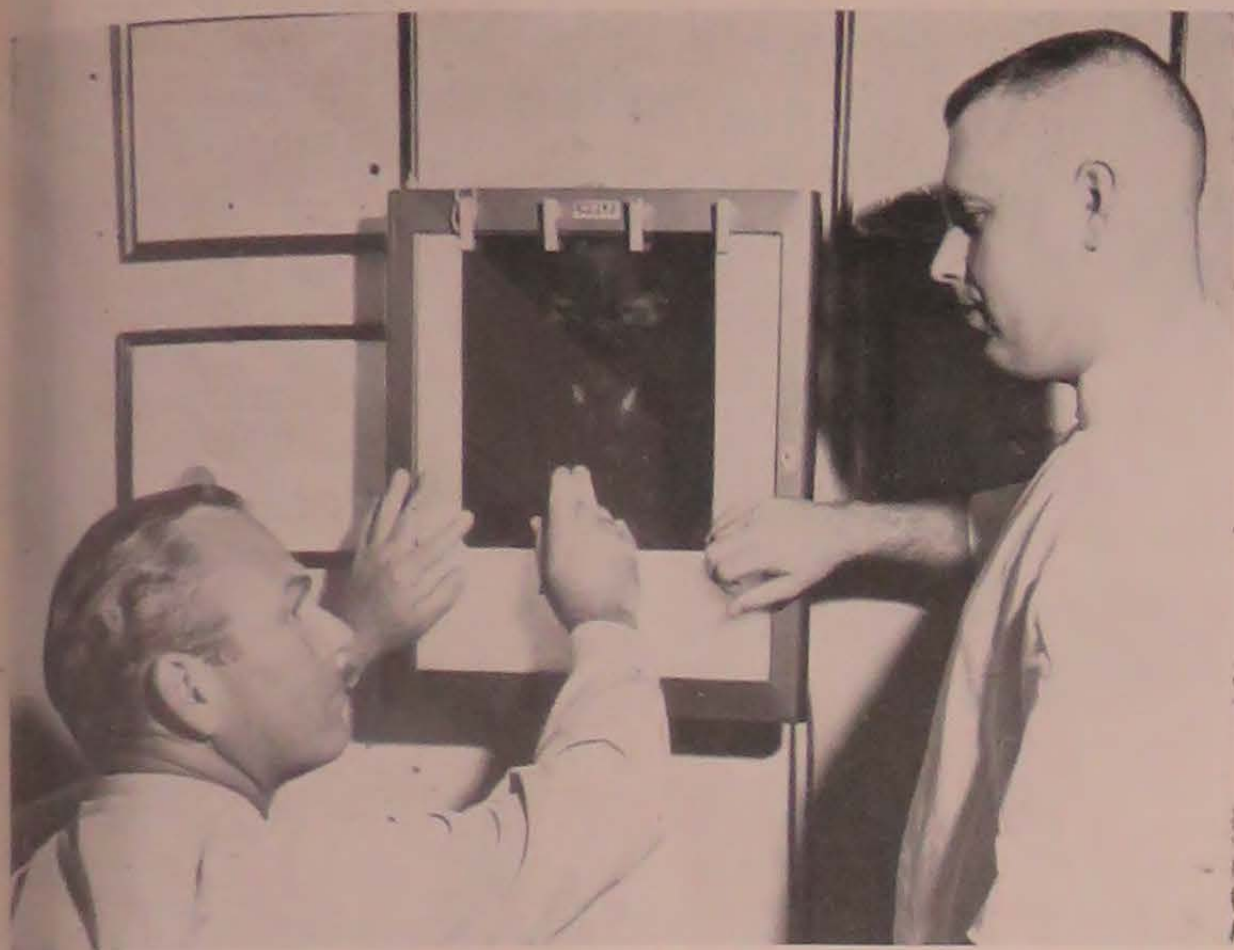
The map shows the San Francisco Bay area, Delta, and Sacramento River where the stripers are most abundant.

Nudist: The only person that has less pocket space than a sailor.

By the time a man is old enough to read a woman like a book, he's too old to start a library.



NINE NEW Operating Room technicians were presented their certificates following six months' training at Oak Knoll. They are, from the left: HN Kathryn Gorrell, honor student; HA John Maxey, HM3 Edward Hunt, HA William D. Burns, HM2 William Pillow, HA Donald Martin, HN Larry Tanous, HA James Petry and HM3 Jon Corlett. Captain Robinson presented the diplomas, and Admiral Andrews was on hand to congratulate them. Graduates and guests enjoyed cake, coffee and ice cream following the ceremony in 71A.



CAPT PAUL W. SUITOR, Chief of Service, discusses an x-ray with **Dr. William G. Housley**, dental intern, before beginning work on a patient. Dr. Suitor is assisted in his department by six other dental officers and 14 dental technicians.



CAPT J. Kenneth Hall heads the prosthetic branch of the Knoll dental clinic. He is assisted by **DT1 Levy Y. Pineda** (left) and **DT2 Herman Dean**. This section makes dentures, crowns, and bridges. The work requires several sittings to insure a perfect fit.

Knoll Dental Department Observes 51st Birthday; "Keeps 'em Smiling"

The Navy Dental Corps was 51 years old on 22 August, but, for Oak Knoll's seven dental officers and 14 technicians there was no cake cutting—instead, business as usual (about 60 patients) was the order of the day.

CAPT Paul W. Suitor, a veteran of more than 22 years as a Naval dental officer, heads Oak Knoll's Dental Service. He began his career in uniform after graduating from Ohio State in 1940 with a DDS degree. When he retires on 1 December, Dr. Suitor plans to go into private practice in nearby San Leandro.

CAPT "J" Kenneth Hall is in charge of the Prosthetics branch. This division constructs all the dentures, crowns and bridges at this hospital. Assisting Dr. Hall are **LT William G. Housley**, dental intern, and technicians **DT1 Levy Y. Pineda**, **DT2s Herman Dean** and **Gonzalo M. Andico** and **DN Julius Green, Jr.**

Other dental officers on the staff are **LTs Larry L. Nash**, **Sherman Spatz** and interns **Charles A. Cooper** and **Robert B. McWilliams**.

LCDR Theresa R. Murphy (NC) is the surgical nurse who assists

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ADM McDonald, CNO

... I have succeeded **ADM George Anderson**, an outstanding Naval Officer and great American, as Chief of Naval Operations. He has led well the finest Navy the world has ever seen. I shall devote all my energies to the same goal. While so doing, I will derive great satisfaction from the knowledge that I will have your loyalty and support, for it is you—and people like you—who keep our country free and the world at peace.

—David L. McDonald

UBAC Poster Contest Open To All; \$50 Prize Offered For Best Design

FLASH! A fifty-dollar U.S. Government Savings Bond is offered for the best original United Bay Area Crusade poster submitted by a patient or military staff member.

Materials for poster-making will be available from today on in the Red Cross Lounge, and poster makers may work in the lounge if they wish.

Deadline for submitting poster contest entries is 1200 23 September.

Posters are to be submitted to the office of local UBAC chairman, **CAPT William K. Lawlor**, Building 132.

Name, rate, and ward number or place of duty must be printed on the BACK of the poster.

Posters will be judged by Captain Lawlor's committee, which includes **CDR Leslie H. Joslin**, **LCDR Harold E. Daniel**, **LT Richard E. Erwin**, **LTJG Marvin D. Lind**, **LTJG William L. Dowling**, and **Mr. Terrance Wright**.

The contest winner's picture with his handiwork will be published in the 27 September issue of **THE OAK LEAF**, and the poster will be duplicated for use on the compound.

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United Crusade Agencies Work Many Wonders Every Day of the Year

For example during the past 12 months:

1,798 boys and girls were cared for in foster homes.

5,613 persons were helped with their problems by Travelers' Aid.

6,478 newcomers from other lands were assisted, in many ways, to acclimate themselves to life in America.

40,534 troubled families or individuals received professional help through 15 family counseling agencies and Red Cross Home Service.

9,390 residents received "equal justice under the law" in civil matters through our Legal Aid Societies.

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Civilian Medical, Dental Groups To Meet at Knoll

Oak Knoll staff officers will host two professional meetings next month.

The Alameda County Dental Society will meet here Tuesday, 10 September. Cocktails at 1800 will be followed by a "cook-out" at 1830, each dentist barbecuing his own beef at the O' Club barbecue pits.

CAPT Paul W. Suitor, Chief of the Dental Service, will welcome guests and present a paper on "Oral Pathology" and **LT Larry L. Nash** will speak to visiting dentists on "Antibiotic Therapy in the Dental Department."

Members of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association will hold their annual Oak Knoll meeting on Monday, 16 September, with the CO acting as official host.

The procedure will be reversed this year with the professional program preceding dinner.

Admiral Andrews will welcome the East Bay doctors aboard at 1830.

CDR Raymond L. Watten, MC, USN, will present a paper on "Black-foot Disease," and **CDR Donald W. Edwards** will discuss "Lipomas of the Thorax." **CAPT Donald W. Robinson**, Chief of the Surgical Service, is program chairman.

Cocktails will follow the professional presentation, and dinner will be served at 2000.

All staff doctors are urged to attend.

Admiral Hays Accepts Post Across the Bay

RADM Thomas G. Hays, who retired on 30 June after serving as Oak Knoll's Commanding Officer for five years, has a new job.

As of Monday he became Executive Director of the San Francisco Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Inc., with offices at 1600 Lake Street, San Francisco.

Plan Ahead

so you'll be ready
to back **UBAC**

Kickoff — 1 October

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"LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY"

Prayer is the sincere desire of a man to be near God in order to enjoy the fullest sense of destiny. In itself, the act of praying is a semi-conscious drive that rises from the inner-most regions of a man's soul. He who is not accustomed to praying, or who on occasions has expressed open rebellion against the prayers of the Church, has nevertheless at times experienced unguarded moments when he condescended to pray, not in habit, but in extremity, as one entombed in the dark subterranean regions of a collapsed mine, begging for release from an apparently hopeless situation.

Generally speaking, it is natural for a man to pray for himself. However, praying only for oneself arouses a discomfiting sense that something is still amiss. God is not, and cannot be divided, which nullifies any man's grasp for selfish power to withhold God's love from anyone else. After making a selfish prayer, a man knows that his prayer cannot be answered to the letter, in that God will not permit himself to be dissected in his expressions of love toward all humanity.

When praying for all conditions of men, a man immediately senses the reality that he is at-one with God, and the peace of God flows abundantly into his soul. Even more, he senses a surge of spiritual strength that is more than sufficient to help him meet every adverse circumstance in which he finds himself. Spiritually refreshed by the realization that the Lord's blessing is upon him, he is ready and willing to proceed triumphantly onward in his sojourn in life to fulfill even greater and nobler moments of Divine destiny.

—CHAPLAIN ROBERT H. VITZ

Navy News Roundup

NAVY INSTRUCTION URGES OFFICERS TO DO MORE READING—The Navy is urging its officers to broaden their horizons—intellectual and cultural horizons, that is. It's all part of a recently issued Navy instruction to both Navy and Marine officers that they should read timely and significant books and articles for intelligent growth and development. "To keep abreast of new knowledge, the rapid changes in the national and world situation and scientific and cultural progress, it becomes increasingly important that Naval officers continue to learn by developing purposeful reading habits," the instruction states. The recommending reading lists are drawn up by an advisory committee of five Naval and civilian specialists. . . . **NAVY LAUNCHES SECOND COMBAT STORE SHIP**—The Navy has launched the SYLVANIA (AFS-2), second of a new class combat store ship, at San Diego. SYLVANIA and her sister ship USS MARS (AFS-1) are designed to combine the functions of the Navy's present store ship (AF), stores issue ship (AKS) and aviation supply ship (AVS). The SYLVANIA is 581 feet long, has a beam of 79 feet and will have a full load displacement of 16,100 tons. She is armed with four 3-inch 50-cal. twin gun mounts. . . . **NAVY MEDICAL UNIT AGAIN JOINS CHOLERA FIGHT IN PHILIPPINES**—A team of U.S. Navy medical specialists from Taipei is aiding the fight against cholera in the Philippines. The team set up laboratory facilities in Manila to aid Philippine medical authorities. U.S. military personnel, dependents and civilians assigned to the Asian mainland and the Philippines are required by regulation to receive cholera immunization. Reimmunization against cholera is required every six months in these areas. . . . **REDUCED COST PLAN SET BY ARMED FORCES**—If cost-cut goals set by the services are reached, the Department of Defense will save an average of \$4 billion a year from Fiscal Year '64 through FY '67. In line with the cost reduction program, each service has prepared briefings and seminars to be given to all major commands, both overseas and stateside. Proposed Department of the Navy savings amount of \$777 million during FY '64 and another \$1.8 billion in FY '65. Savings through the cost reduction program will be achieved, according to Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, by three Defense Department objectives. The program outline specifies that each service buy only what is needed, buy at the lowest sound price, and reduce operating costs.

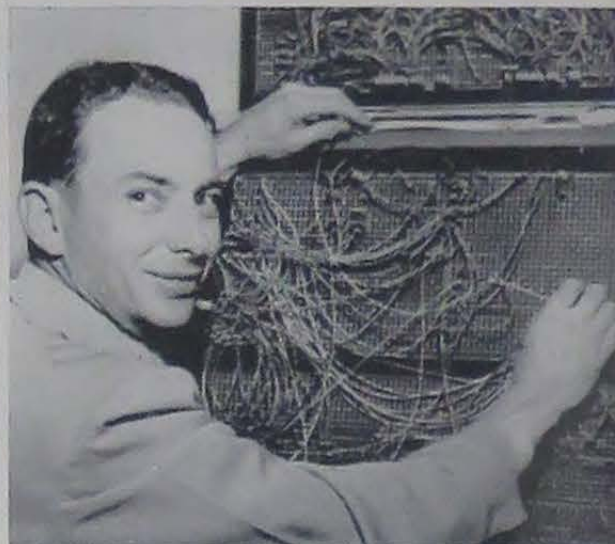
Patient: "Is my mouth open far enough?"

Dentist: "Yes, I intend to stand outside while I work."

Teacher: Why do they use knots instead of miles on the ocean?

Student: Because they've got to keep the ocean tide.

Know Your Staff



MAC Donald R. Schneberger of Data Processing has been a Knollite since 19 June when he reported from PAMI 9 (Personnel Accounting Machine Installation) at Great Lakes.

A Navyman since 1947, Chief Schneberger left home in Seward, Nebr., and began his career in uniform at San Diego.

At ComServPac, Pearl Harbor, he earned his on-the-job training certificate.

Other duty assignments included the PAMI Unit, Washington, D. C., ComWestSea Frontier staff, T. I.; instructor in the MA Class "C" School, T. I., and BuPers.

In Data Processing, Chief Schneberger works on the IBM and Univac machines, recording thousands of statistics used in the everyday operation of the hospital.

He wires the IBM machines to process the civilian payroll, records technical data for fiscal and supply accounting, labor and material distribution, new born babies, in-patient statistics dealing with total days hospitalized, to name a few.

During off-duty hours the chief does a bit of horse trading—he sold all but one of his horses when he received orders to Oak Knoll. His favorite mount is now on the farm in the Hayward hills. When not trading horses he is an auctioneer, a graduate of the Reisch American School of Auctioneering, Mason City, Iowa. When he retires in February 1967, Chief Schneberger plans to continue auctioneering and later open his own business.

"Get Acquainted Lemonade" on Wives' Schedule as New Officers Take Over

First event of fall for the Officers' Wives' Club is a "Get-acquainted Lemonade" to be held at the Officers' Club at 1000 Wednesday morning, 11 September. The party will honor interns' wives and "better halves" of other officers who have reported to Oak Knoll since 1 June.

With this get-together new officers elected last spring will go into action. Mrs. J. E. Hamill will wield the gavel at monthly meetings. Serving with her as vice-president is Mrs. D. M. O'Neal. Mrs. A. B. Scott is corresponding secretary; Mrs. A. C. Rolen, recording secretary; Mrs. H. C. Gebhardt, treasurer.

Mrs. M. W. Olson has taken over the chores of nursery chairman; Mrs. H. D. Kurland and Mrs. S. E. Dadnum will edit "The Fig Leaf" (motto—full coverage). Mrs. D. J. Pascoe will serve as JANGO chairman, Mrs. F. W. Kempson as scholarship chairman. Mrs. J. D. Hall heads the ways and means commit-

Poetry or Prose News or Music—Library Has It

Maybe it's a line of poetry that's been haunting you since fifth grade, or perhaps it's the complete poem that begins "How do I love thee" that you want to write on the back of your wife's birthday card (you know how women are about such things); maybe you want the name of your Congressman so you can let him know your opinion of the new pay bill, or Consumer's Report listings on the best hi-fi equipment. Whatever your question, somewhere in the library we probably have the answer and your librarian is here and happy to help you find it.

Or perhaps you have a few hours you'd like to spend listening to music. We have a fine stereophonic record player, and you may either listen to the library's collection of stereo and hifi records (mostly classical and some folk music) or bring along your own. Unless someone else is waiting, you may listen as long as you like, and stereo earphones are available for your use. During certain late afternoon and evening hours it can be arranged with the librarian or the watch on duty for a group of listeners to use the machine with speakers.

We have recently received a collection of foreign language records: Arabic, German, Hausa, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese and Tagalog (Philippine). These may be borrowed from the library or used on the library stereo with earphones.

We'd like to, but it wouldn't be possible to provide everybody on board with his hometown newspaper, but we try in a small way to cover the general vicinity. In addition to the Oakland and San Francisco papers, we subscribe to THE NEW YORK TIMES, THE ST. LOUIS POST DISPATCH, THE WASHINGTON POST, THE NAVY TIMES (of course) and, for the financially minded THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

tee, and Mrs. R. C. Colgrove holds the important post of program chairman.

On the advisory board are Mmes. C. L. Andrews, A. J. Draper, D. W. Robinson, D. W. Edwards, G. G. Clark, and W. L. Blankenship.

Coffee After Services

Something new has been added to the 1030 Protestant Chapel services—a get acquainted coffee hour following the worship service. The chaplains invite all to stay and enjoy this opportunity for informal visiting with old friends and new.

Record for Smiths

Of the 29 million names in the VA's master index file, Smith is the most common, appearing 225,000 times. It is followed by Johnson, 149,000; Brown, 121,000; Williams and Jones, 109,000 each; and Miller, 97,000.

Scuttlebutt

A GOOD TURN: Chief Ted Karnes and HM2s Chuck Quisenberry and Leslie Easley each spent two weeks as medical technicians and first aid instructors at Ed Barner Boy Scout Camp in Calaveras county. From 0900 to 1600 daily they instructed scouts (9-12) working for their merit badges in first aid. "Our teaching was sometimes interrupted by casualties such as minor cuts and bruises, but our greatest problem was homesickness," the three good scouts reported.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dr. Francisco M. Gonzalez, who had scarcely arrived from Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, D.C., when he was promoted to LCDR, MC, USNR.

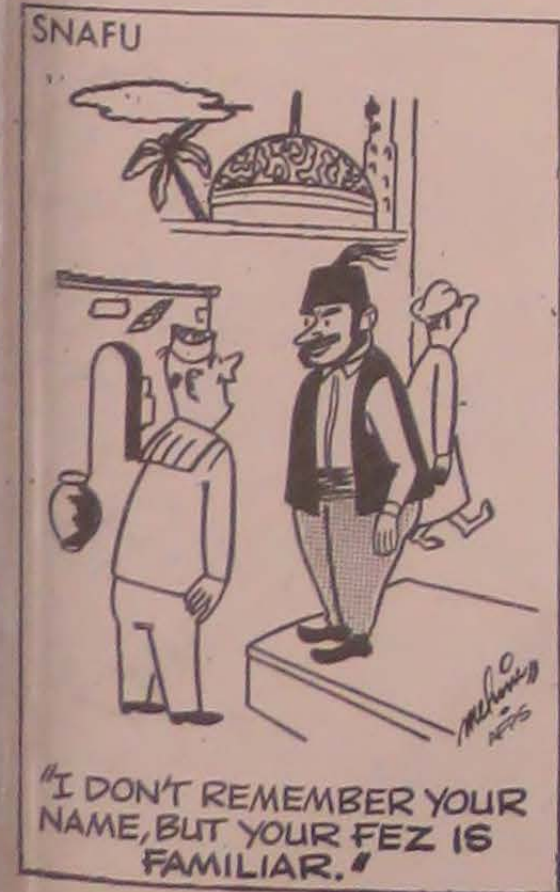
QUOTES of the WEEK: CDR Carl A. Broadus, Jr. (Oak Knoll '48-'49) here last Friday morning from Guam: "My watch STILL says 6:40 tomorrow!"

Terry McCracken, 4, when introduced along with his three pretty big sisters: "I'm Teh-wey. I'm the Shwimp!"

TRAFFIC STOPPER: Departing knollites, eagerly heading for home, nevertheless gladly stopped their cars while a family of quail—mama, papa, and nine little ones—crossed Mountain Boulevard.

DID YOU KNOW? That the Pharmacy fills 29,767 prescriptions monthly for in and outpatients . . . that Ron C. Burke, HM1, of PEB has signed on the dotted for another 6 . . . that way back in September '56 the EM Club was specially named "Muster-Inn". . . That Joseph Romano, meat cutter at Food Service, is also an artist . . . that when Miss Nalner lamented the fact that all the other nurses (come out and tell the JOL, who, ever you are) were getting diamonds, Ron Williams, HM3, rushed right out and bought her—a 69-cent one . . . that the other day the SF Medical Society mailed its bulletin to CAPT S. Cook, who not only made RADM but was also detached from Oak Knoll in 1951 . . . that Monday is Labor Day—so no one will work except those who cannot be spared.

LIFE BEGAN on 21 August for Sean Francis Moores, 7 lb., 10 oz. son, for LT Russell Moores (Medical Service) and wife Helen. . . On 23 August for Guy Chester Williams, 7 lb., 9 oz. son for Charlie Williams, HM2 (Hematology) and wife Sung. . . On 25 August for Becky Lea, 7 lb., 6 3/4 oz. daughter, for LT Hubert Sowers (Patient Personnel) and wife Leonore.



Dental Corps Is 51 Years Old

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the dental officers in the operating room.

Assigned to the administrative office are DTC Evelyn M. Butler and DT2 Wayne H. Gibson. Chief Butler is also the department's chief master-at-arms. Others supporting the dental officers are DT2 Wayne M. Mills, storeroom; DT3 Diana C. Paris, appointment desk, and DNs Diane G. Corlett, oral surgery; Gordon A. Davis, currently attending OR school; Mary S. Evanisko and Michael A. Passaglia, assistants; Kenneth A. Howard, examination and X-ray, and Marquerite Whittemore, oral surgery.

The Navy's Dental Corps was established in 1912; however, the first dentist to serve as an officer was Dr. Thomas O. Walton, who was assigned to the Naval Academy in 1873.

Other Dental Corps highlights include:

★ In WWI the first naval officer to die in land fighting was a dentist.

★ The Corps grew to peak strength of 7,000 during WWII.

★ The Corps developed a plastic artificial eye.

★ Navy dentists developed the high-speed "painless" drill and created a realistic manikin to teach Dental Corps personnel and others how to treat injuries.

★ There were 11,339 dental techs on duty at the end of WWII.

★ Two dental officers have won the Medal of Honor.

The continued high level of dental support to our operating forces and to dependents overseas and in remote areas of the United States is backed by improvements in material facilities, a continuous training program and dental research.

Dr. McKee Cited

LCDR Lonnie C. McKee, Jr., MC, USNR has been cited for "exceptionally meritorious service" in Thailand, where he recently had three months' TAD.

The Joint United States Military Advisory Group Certificate of Achievement was given in recognition of Dr. McKee's service in treatment, hospitalization, or evacuation of all military personnel and dependents in Bangkok.

"Since this is a U.S. Mission Medical Unit, it was necessary for Dr. McKee to work closely with U.S. Embassy doctors assigned to the unit in order to coordinate the services rendered military personnel and authorized civilian personnel. Exercising tact and sound judgment, he accomplished the above tasks in an outstanding manner. He demonstrated a high degree of professional competence and a sincere interest in his patients. These attributes earned him the highest regard and respect from military personnel and the civilians stationed in Bangkok. He has made a major contribution to the health and well-being of personnel assigned to this JUSMAG, reflecting great credit upon himself and the United States Navy," the citation read.

Dr. McKee, on duty in the Medical Service since September 1961, returns to civilian life today and will enter private practice in Nashville, Tenn.



PERIODIC EXAMINATIONS reveal work to be done by the Dental Service. Dr. Larry L. Nash points out the proper method of cleaning teeth to Dr. Nugent, anesthesiology resident, while DN Kenneth A. Howard looks on.



DT3 Diana C. Paris checks an appointment for AN Stanley Aikala who is undergoing extensive oral surgery. Each day dental officers see an average of 60 patients requiring routine examinations, fillings, extractions, surgery, and prostheses.

ARC Helps Make Your Stay Here More Enjoyable

Knoll patients who would like to see the San Francisco 49ers in action on the gridiron—free of charge—will be pleased to learn that Red Cross has a limited number of passes available. Passes must be presented at the gate one-half hour before game time. Only one pass will be given to each patient.

Knoll patients have an opportunity to dance and attend parties in the Red Cross lounge. Volunteer hostesses from the Bay Area are on hand to help you enjoy the evening. Dances are scheduled for Tuesday nights, and Thursday at 1900 is party time.

A Recognition Tea for the summer Teen Aides was held yesterday in the Red Cross lounge. These happy, young volunteers will be missed by the many friends they made at Oak Knoll during the summer. The aides worked on the wards, in the office and other departments.



DTC Evelyn M. Butler is the Dental department CMAA and is also in charge of the administrative office. She maintains official records and handles all in-coming and out-going correspondence.



OAK KNOLL WAS TREATED to a performance by the famed Fleet Marine Force Pacific, Drum and Bugle corps of Camp H. M. Smith (Pearl Harbor) Hawaii last Friday. The sharp Marines performed on Gendreau Circle—playing a selection of popular and military tunes while marching in synchronized fashion. The 30-minute exhibition was witnessed by many civilian and military personnel.



LT Gordon S. McComb returned to Oak Knoll two weeks ago and will officially take over the duties of Special Services Officer on 3 September. He replaces LTJG Marvin D. Lind who will be assigned to Staff Personnel.

Mr. McComb had been previously stationed at NAS New York, Brooklyn, N.Y.

The 23-year Navy veteran joined the Navy after graduating from high school in Douglas, Wyoming. He was 17 then and has been on continuous active duty ever since.

His first assignment to Oak Knoll was a brief TAD from Clearfield, Utah. He became a permanent staff member in 1948 and served in Patient Personnel office for two years.

In 1954, as an HMC, he returned to attend EST School. He was commissioned as ensign during the school year.

Fire Chief Sez

A SCREECHING SIREN

What to do—

Pull over (whether they're approaching from the rear or front), or turn up a side street or move ahead and out of the way—but clear a path; someone is in trouble.

Firemen can lose lifesaving seconds trying to squeeze through snarled traffic, around parked cars. Never "chase" a fire engine.

Avoid parking near a fire scene or driving over hose lines.

UBAC Services Help Young and Old

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146,566 boys and girls participated in programs of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, led by 43,236 volunteers.

77,694 children and young people were members of Y's, CYO's, Jewish Community Centers, neighborhood houses, Boys' Clubs, Salvation Army youth groups.

81,188 persons earned Red Cross First Aid Certificates, acquired water safety and lifesaving skills under Red Cross direction.

3,201 children and adults received psychiatric counseling or treatment.

11,879 patients received care in their homes through Visiting Nurses Association Services.

16,651 patients (including chronically ill and aged) received 102,707 days of free or part-pay in-patient care at eight hospitals.



HM2 Elroy Morris was graduated from Lab School—two months after his classmates received their tech certificates. Morris, who was hospitalized following an auto accident, resumed his classes following his return to duty and was graduated last Friday. He has received orders to Vietnam.

Football Season Opens Here 19 September

Candidates for the 1963 12ND football team have been working out nightly on the local athletic field, preparing themselves for the tough games ahead by practicing strategic plays, doing calisthenics and trimming their bodies by hard running and tackling.

The Hilltoppers will lead off their '63 season in a home game against mighty (?) Mare Island 19 September.

Already signed up for the team are veteran Knoll gridders Rolly Franssen, Otto Alexander, Harv Simkins, John P. Porter, Jim Englehorn, Otis Jennings, Bob Crone, Frank Davis, J. D. Helm and Al Bolshazy.

Since Oak Knoll eased through last season with a 9-win, 0-loss record—taking on all teams in the "A" and "B" divisions—Coach Ken Moffett will let the record speak for itself.

Ken believes that team coordination and fearless aggressiveness—linked to clean play—add up to winning the coveted command trophy.

Oak Knoll is in the "B" league (for activities with fewer than 500 enlisted personnel).

The Hilltoppers, however, have consistently whipped all challengers in both divisions.

If you'd like to wear the Hilltopper uniform this season and enjoy the fast, hard six-man tackle games, drop down to the local athletic field after working hours and see the coach.

Still searching for the person best qualified for this award.

Help Wanted

Movie projectionists are needed by the ARC to show movies on the wards. If you don't know how to operate the projector, a Red Cross worker will check you out. Call Ext. 573. You'll be paid 50c for each movie you show.



HM3 Les Fisher of Special Services adds two more weapons to the gun rack for checkout by Knollites. Added to the numerous doubles, automatics and pump-action shot guns are two new Winchester Model 94s, 30-30 deer rifles. Knollites must present a valid California state hunting license when checking out any of these guns. Ammunition must be furnished by the borrower. Special Services also has complete facilities—tents, stoves, sleeping bags, cots, air mattresses, etc.—for camping or vacationing in the outdoors.



NAME: _____

For Outstanding
DISSERVICE to
the Landscape
Month August
Year 1963



Ann Fox (left) and Kathy Hughes (center) Alameda, and Kathy Cosgrove of Oakland, were among 52 Red Cross Youth Volunteers honored here recently for their service during the summer months. The cake, frosted with a hundred "Lamps of Humanity," commemorated one hundred years of Red Cross service. The centenary emblem, designed by Swiss artist Walter Baumbarger, is an ancient oil lamp, depicting hope for a better future, its flame symbolizing mercy and the human flame of life—all kept alive by the untiring efforts of the Red Cross around the world.

Red Cross Youth Volunteers Honored for Oak Knoll Service

Fifty-two Red Cross Youth Volunteers were honored here on 29 August when they said goodbye and headed back to school. They gave more than 1000 hours' service to the hospital during the summer vacation.

The students (two college and the rest high school) were recruited through Alameda, Berkeley, and Oakland Red Cross Chapters.

The young people served as office assistants, aided Gray Ladies in performing personal services, helped

craft Gray Ladies in preparation and distribution of craft projects, worked as recreation assistants in both adult and children's wards, washed delicate glassware for CIC, worked in Central Supply, or prepared swabs for EENT.

In a message Admiral Andrews wrote for the souvenir program distributed at the tea held in the Red Cross Lounge, he spoke of the young volunteers' dependable and business-like performance of duty. "It is my hope," he said, "that in return for your efforts you have gained some insight into the vast field of patient care and the many opportunities it offers for stimulating and rewarding careers in medicine and its allied fields."

Volunteers from Alameda Chapter were Barbara Baker, Karen Beer, Janice Cantu, Jo Ellen Copeland, Kathleen Dashiell, Jean Echtermeyer, Ann Fox, Linda Gladwill, Kathy Hughes, Cathy Hurst, Pat Immethum, Laurie Jamison, Melvin Lee, Sherry Meyers, Linda Schannell, and Leta Wells.

Berkeley Chapter sent Francis Bay, Pattie Coleman, Barbara Frazier, Jackie Grover, Patricia Harder, Margaret Hincks, Shirley Hirose, Margie Kagawa, Carol Katayama, Lynea Katayama, Janet Nawata, Phylis Nawata, Christine Nobori, Bonnie Noller, Carole Ono, Beverly Petri, Carol Raumer, Barbara Rutherford, Frances Tanabe, Dorlis Taylor, Sharon Tremery, Mariea Tarver, Kim Volpe, Janet Werson, Katherine Wood.

From Oakland Chapter came Trinetta Carr, Michele Cole, Kathy Cosgrove, Nancy Garner, Anne Jeffery, Jan Langstroth, Sherry Markwart, Kandy Murray, Judy Roth, Sherry Steffens, and Lora Williams.

CALLING ALL ARTISTS—PATIENTS AND STAFF ALL RATES & RANKS

There's still time to grab a paint brush and put on paper your idea for a UBAC poster to aid the hospital campaign. The materials, with brochures containing information that will suggest ideas for your poster are available at the Red Cross Lounge. All you have to have are time and talent—a little of each. The prize is a 50-dollar U.S. Savings Bond!

Deadline—1200 23 September—in time for judging and photographing the winner with his poster for the 27 September issue of the OAK LEAF.

Submit your entry to the office of UBAC chairman, CAPT William K. Lawlor, Building 132.

Navy Leadership

Leadership in our Navy is certainly nothing new. It is the traditional ingredient that has helped to make our Navy great. Leadership is not a thing of the moment, but is something that must be kept active at all times and at all levels. It deals with men—not machines.

VADM William R. Smedberg, III

Both Committees Assure Military Of 1 October Pay Raise Date

Regardless of a delay in final approval of the 1963 military pay bill (H.R. 5555), servicemen have been assured that the effective date of 1 October will stand.

Both Senator Richard Russell (D., Ga.), Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and Representative L. Mendel Rivers (D., S.C.) of the House Armed Services Committee, told the Armed Forces Press Service that any delay "would not alter the effective date of 1 October."

This means the pay raise would be retroactive if passage is stymied

by other, more urgent bills in Congress.

It is likely, according to reports, that the committees will meet in September. But there exists a remote possibility that the committees will not get together until October or November.

As it now stands, the Senate and House have passed separate military pay bills that differ in some areas. A conference committee from each must meet to iron-out the differences before the bill can be sent to President Kennedy for signature.

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She is Looking at YOU

And her eyes are telling you there are many people in our community—a lot of them helpless children—who desperately need your help. Some of them are sick, some are handicapped, and many do not have decent homes in which to live. There are troubled teen-agers in need of a guiding hand such as our youth organizations can give. There are troubled families in need of counseling, men and women too old to work but too young to sit around doing nothing. When you look into this little girl's eyes, we hope you will get the message—from the many whose only hope for help is the once-a-year gift you make to the United Bay Area Crusade. One gift works many wonders. GIVE THE UNITED WAY.

The Oak Leaf

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How Did Oak Leaf Get on All Those Sleeves — The Story "in an Acorn Shell"

You never know what question will come up next. The other day a Navy recruiter in the Oakland Post Office Building telephoned and (innocently enough) asked the origin of the oak leaf and acorn as symbols of the Medical Corps—confident that here, where all outdoors and the sleeves of MC, MSC, DC, and NC officers are decorated with oak leaves and acorns, the information would be readily available.

Not so. Two librarians (1 crew's, 1 medical) and I and E joined the PIO's search. Home encyclopedias were dusted off. And finally this bit of knowledge on the subject was uncovered.

It seems that way back in ancient times, even before Gaul was divided into three parts, there lived a group of physicians—priests called Druids—sort of medical missionaries. On the sleeve of his flowing robe each wore a gold embroidered oak leaf and acorn, the oak being a sacred tree and the

oak grove a sort of outdoor temple.

"It is true that sprays of live oak have been a favorite ornament on military uniforms other than those of the Medical Corps, but the connection of the oak with medicine is very definite," CAPT Louis H. Roddis, MC, USN, wrote in his "A SHORT HISTORY OF NAUTICAL MEDICINE" published in 1941.

The caduceus, insignia of the Greek God of Medicine Aesculapius, appeared originally as a serpent entwined oak staff, the serpent a symbol of wisdom and connected with the power of the physician-priest to tell the cause of a disease.

"The goat and fowls (probably because of their use by soothsayers) and the fox have also been used as symbols connected with medicine," Captain Roddis wrote.

So you see those who wear the gold oak leaf with or without acorn might instead be wearing a goat's head, a whole turkey, or even the tail of a fox!

Navy News Roundup

WHITEHATS CAN NOW PURCHASE "TAILOR-MADES"—Tailor-made blues are now authorized for Navy enlisted men in grades E-6 and below. The ruling is included in changes to Navy Uniform Regulations recently approved. According to Navy officials, the present regulation blue melton uniform will continue to be a required sea bag item and the wearing of tailor-mades will be at the local command's discretion. The changed regulation will permit the uniforms to be made of materials similar to those now worn by CPO's and officers and must be of dark blue material of any appropriate weight. Another change will allow enlisted men in a travel status to wear blue uniforms of appropriate weight regardless of the season and the areas through which they are traveling. This will relieve the difficulties of maintaining a neat, clean appearance which has plagued men traveling in whites. . . .

MEDICAL CARE STUDIED FOR RETIRED MILITARY—How to best provide medical care for retired military members and their dependents is the subject of a study being conducted by the Defense Department. By law, retired military and their dependents are entitled to medical care at military hospitals on a "space available" basis. However, DOD estimates that the increasing number of retirees will soon bring about a situation where such facilities will be insufficient to meet their needs. The Defense Department is looking for a way of insuring continued health care for these people. As a part of the study, DOD is sending questionnaires to approximately 20,000 retired members of the various services in an effort to learn their experiences with medical care during the past year . . .

MILITARY QUERIED CONCERNING COSTS OF PCS TRANSFER—The Defense Department is studying a proposed stateside temporary lodging allowance. This allowance is to defray the added expenses of hotel or similar transient lodging for personnel on permanent change of station orders. This would be similar to the type of allowance now authorized in certain overseas areas. The overseas allowances are paid for up to 10 days to persons departing who surrender their quarters during that period and up to 60 days for arrivals awaiting quarters. The Per Diem Committee of the Department of Defense has sent questionnaires to thousands of service personnel making PCS moves in an effort to learn more about the extra expenses involved in such movements. The Per Diem Committee is also making a study of current dislocation allowances to determine whether or not they are adequate. . . .

MSTS WINS SAFETY AWARD—The Navy's Military Sea Transport Service has been awarded the Secretary of the Navy Award for achievement in Safety for 1962, for the second straight year . . .



Mrs. Anna Stabler, head presser at the laundry, was surrounded with good wishes (and men) when she retired on 5 September after 20 years at Oak Knoll. With her, from left, are HMCs Billy R. Smith and William R. Murphy, Quartermaster John H. Miller, HMCS John Rivos, and LT W. L. Blankenship, MSC, Chief of Operating Services. Chiefs Murphy and Rivos, former chiefs-in-charge of linen control, came back for the cake-cutting. Along with an album full of pictures and good luck messages from all her associates Mrs. Stabler received a 20-year pin and a "well done" from the CO. Future plans for the lady who has pressed thousands of doctors' coats and technicians' jackets "in her day" include traveling with her husband—to visit relatives and see the sights in Colorado, Montana, Missouri, Nebraska, and points between—then returning here to enjoy her grandchildren and great grandchild.

Daniel Ross Succumbs After Long Illness

Members of the staff were saddened to learn that Daniel Ross died of cancer in a San Francisco Hospital on 5 September. He was 45.

Ross had served Oak Knoll since 23 September 1946, when he was transferred here from the old San Leandro Hospital. He had cooked for the Officers' Club since April 1954, catering many a staff party at the Officers' and CPO Clubs in addition to handling his regular job. He will be missed by all who knew him; for he was a fine shipmate—genial, hardworking, always ready to give his best. He was in charge of the dinner served to 400 civilian employees and their families in the auditorium last February and catered for a dinner the same night in the CPO Club. This was nothing for Ross. It was his life work, and he thoroughly enjoyed it. Less than a month later he took sick leave and was never able to return.

Ross leaves his wife Rachel, two sons, and three daughters to whom the staff extends deepest sympathy. The family lives at 23024 Maud Avenue, Hayward.

Toyland Opens Monday

Opening MONDAY! Navy Exchange Toyland in a new location—with a more complete array of toys and games than ever before. This is the word from A. L. Smedberg, store manager.

Toyland 1963 is located in Building 32 near the Bag Room, and there will be ample parking across the road from the store.

The quickest way to change a woman's viewpoint is to agree with her.



HN Donna Patton has earned her NP tech certificate after a year on-the-job training.

A native of Raytown, Mo., Donna joined the Waves in August 1961 "because I'd wanted to be a Wave ever since I could remember."

After Bainbridge, Md., for recruit training, and Great Lakes for Corps school, she requested orders to Oak Knoll, and reported on board in April 1962. She worked on 723-OPD and 40B before being assigned to NP.

She just returned from a 30-day leave in Raytown where her mother "showed me off in dress blues to the whole town."

Last year she was a member of the Waves softball team which won top honors in 12ND competition. Besides softball, Donna enjoys bowling, hunting, fishing, and camping.

The automobile motor began pounding. "Hmmm," mused the private, "I wonder what that knock can be?"

"Well, it isn't opportunity," answered his girl friend.



HM1 Joseph F. Johnson of staff personnel has been a Navyman since May 1955, following graduation from St. James High School, Alexandria, La.

After recruit training in San Diego, and Corpschool in Portsmouth, Va., he reported to the Naval Hospital, Pensacola, Fla. Nine months later he was ordered to OR school, then had six months' Tissue Bank training at Bethesda. Johnnie's first Knoll duty was in Surgery II from August 1958 to May 1960, when he received orders to the USS SALISBURY SOUND (AV-13). During his 2½ years' sea duty he made two Far East cruises. Because of the many bargains offered, he picks Hong Kong as his favorite western Pacific port.

Johnnie reported to Oak Knoll for his second tour of duty last February. In staff personnel he makes out the watch lists and figures the "change sheet"—statistical reports dealing with the changes in the military staff and during off duty hours works in Club Tradewinds.



HN John Evans of Nursing Service and former Knollite Rosanne Schrage were married last Friday at 1000 in the local Chapel. Father Lane performed the ceremony. The couple flew to Cincinnati, the bride's hometown, for their honeymoon. Rosanne has been released to inactive duty while John has two more years to serve.

Plan Ahead
so you'll be ready
to back **UBAC**
Kickoff — 1 October

New Food Service Job in Detroit For LCDR Oakes

LCDR Harry A. Oakes, MSC, USN, retired 1 September after 22 years in the Navy and headed for a new job with the Prophet Corporation hospital catering service in Detroit, Mich.

Fellow MSC officers bid Mr. Oakes goodbye and "smooth sailing" at a dinner at the Officers' Club the night before his departure, and Admiral Andrews presented him a letter of appreciation for his services as Chief, Food Service Division, for the past year.

"The expert and professional manner in which you have directed the activities of the Food Service Division and overcome numerous obstacles day after day to provide meals of the highest acceptability for the sick and the well alike has contributed immensely to the morale, satisfaction, and well-being of all who have been the beneficiaries of your efforts and your talents," the letter stated.

Mr. Oakes, his wife Katherine, and teen-age daughter Kathy, left the morning after the party on the cross-country motor trip to their new civilian life.

Luau at O'Club On 21 September

A traditional Hawaiian luau complete with "secret exotic Hawaiian refreshments" and a full hour of professional Hawaiian entertainment and music for dancing is on the Officers' Club calendar for Saturday night, 21 September.

Tickets went on sale yesterday in the Administrative Office and Officers' Club. They may also be obtained from any member of the entertainment committee (See page 16, Officers' Directory if you do not know who they are.) The price for staff: \$3.50 per person. Guests: \$4.00. Ticket sales will be limited to 200.

Baby sitters will be available.

Diaper Derby

LIFE BEGAN on 5 September for Brian Richard Fairfax, 7 lb., 10 oz. son for LCDR George Fairfax, OB-GYN, and wife Delma . . . On 5 September for Rebecca Bissitt Buechel, 7 lb., 7½ oz. daughter for CDR Donald Buechel, Anesthesiology, and wife, Barbara . . . On 6 September for Larri Michelle, 6 lb., 6¾ oz. daughter for Elroy K. Morris, HM2, Main Lab, and wife Nancy.

BuMed Has Another Birthday

The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery had another birthday on 31 August—its 121st.

BuMed, which guides the activities of the entire Navy Medical Department, was established in 1842 by act of Congress and has continued to grow with the Navy and the times. The first Chief of BuMed, Dr. William P. C. Barton, had a staff of one assistant and two clerks. The 27th Chief of BuMed,



HM1 Robert K. Ellis of I&E recently received a commendation for TAD aboard the USS TRACER (AGR-15).

The commendation was delivered to Bob with three endorsements—from Commander Radar Picket Squadron ONE, Commander Western Sea Frontier, and Admiral Andrews.

Bob's TAD aboard TRACER began when that ship's HMC was granted emergency leave only hours before it was scheduled to get underway for a 30-day patrol off the California coast. This hospital received an urgent request for a Corpsman, and Bob volunteered for the duty—"without time enough to pack a seabag or obtain written orders."

His commendation read, in part, "During the tenure of the TRACER on picket station, Ellis was required in the performance of his duties to diagnose and treat numerous cases, which he did with the utmost competence. During the patrol the TRACER received a distress call from the FREEDOM II, and had reason to believe that she would be the vessel to rescue the seven survivors. Ellis proceeded "with maximum speed" and complete competence to make all necessary preparations. While the TRACER did not rescue the survivors, she was ready in all respects to receive and treat them.

"Ellis' actions have been an inspiration and a splendid example to the crew of the TRACER," the commendation continued, "and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval Service." The letter was signed by LCDR A. R. Reid, CO of the ship.

NOW HEAR THIS

Attention, all Navy, Marine and Coast Guard enlisted men and their wives! We are planning big things next month. Watch the next OAK LEAF for our announcement.

Oak Knoll Navy Wives' Club #160.

Household Goods Weight Upped By 500 Pounds

Weight limitations for shipment of household goods are to be increased 500 pounds for officers up to O-4 grade and all enlisted men entitled to such shipment.

Officers in the O-5 grade will receive a 1,000-lb. increase, bringing them to the maximum permitted by law, 11,000 lbs.

No definite date for the increase was given, but the Defense Department officials said it was just a matter of changing the existing Joint Travel Regulations with regard to weight limitations.

The change resulted from a study instituted by the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower) Normal S. Paul when it was discovered that increasing numbers of uniformed personnel were finding themselves in debt to the government for overweight shipments.

With the change, E-4s with over four years service will be allowed 5000 lbs.; E-5s, 5500 lbs. and each next higher grade an additional 500 lbs. up to the E-9s 7500-lb. limitation. O-1s and W-1s will have the same maximum as E-9s; O-2s and W-2s will be allowed 8000 lbs.; O-3s and W-3s, 9000 lbs.; O-4s and W-4s, 10,000 lbs.; O-5s and above, 11,000 lbs.

\$1,000 1st Prize Offered for Best Letter

Would you like to win a cash award of \$1,000?

Good fortune could come to any Knollite who writes a letter of 500 words or less on the subject: "What Can I Do For Freedom?" Mail the letter to the Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa. Entries must be postmarked not later than 1 November.

Even if you don't win the big prize, there are 100 other cash prizes totaling \$7,500, 50 of these awards having a value of \$100 each and the rest \$50 each. Every winner will receive a George Washington Honor Medal in addition to the cash prize.

Competition is open to all members of the Armed Forces on active duty. Dependents of military personnel and civilian employees of the Armed Forces are not eligible.

Type or write your letter legibly on one side of the paper only. Give your full name, rank or rating, serial number, branch of service, unit address and home address.

The top ten winners will be invited to Valley Forge, Pa., for an awards ceremony to be held on Washington's Birthday. From Valley Forge, the winners will go to Washington, D.C., and visit briefly with chief officials of their respective services.

ACCMA Meeting

All staff medical officers who are not on watch Monday evening are reminded that the ACCMA meeting will begin with a professional program at 1830. A social hour and dinner will follow. Uniform is dress blue bravo. Cost of the dinner is \$3.



UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYES of Coach Ken Moffett (in shorts) the Hilltoppers give each practice session everything they have. The offensive and defensive teams practice against each other nightly. Coach Moffett is well pleased with his team this year—except that he still has his “help wanted” sign out for a good quarterback who can run, pass and kick. He would also like to encourage any Knollite who has had previous experience on the gridiron to drop down to the athletic field any weeknight and practice with the boys.

30 Knollites Promoted to HN

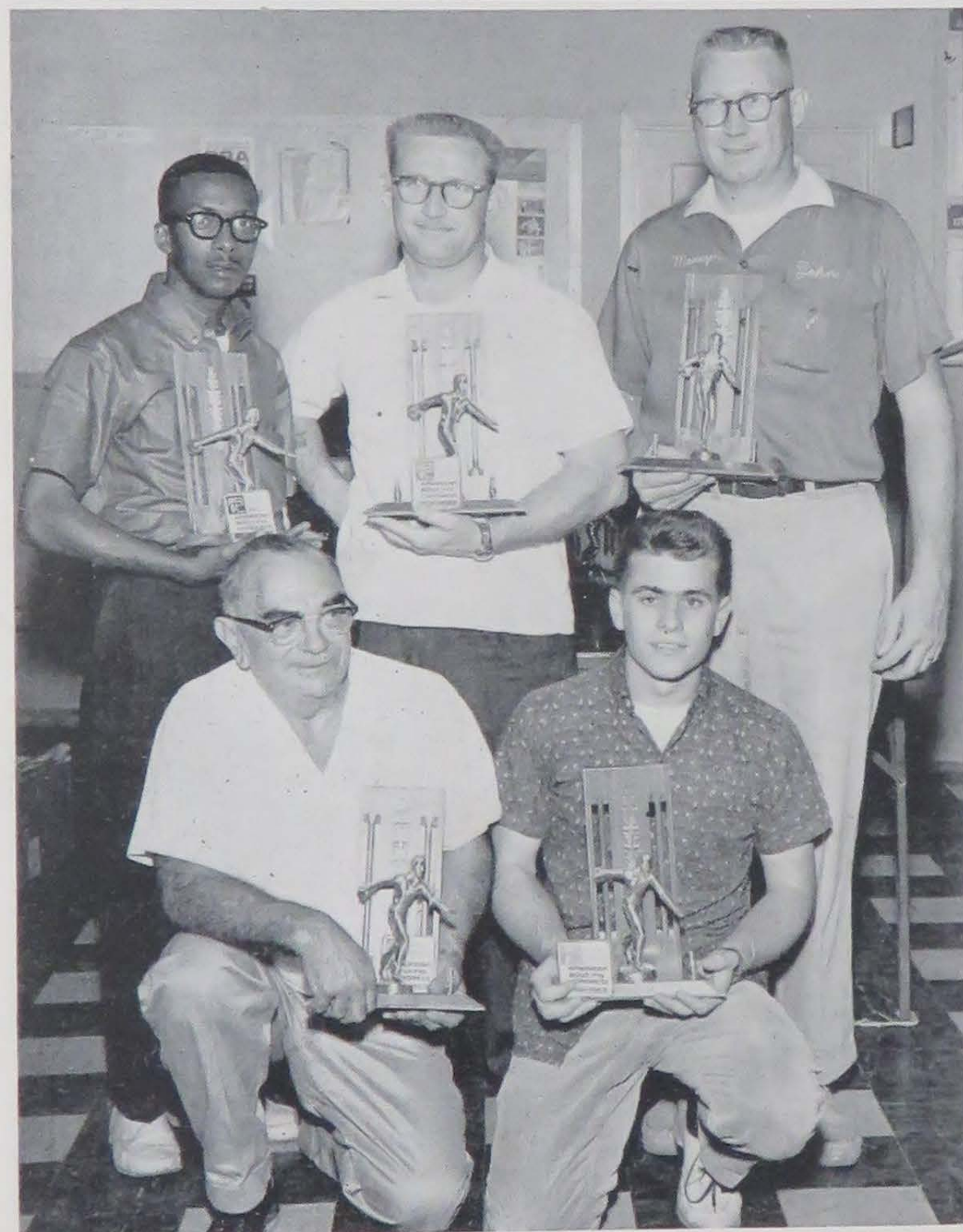
Thirty Knollites were advanced to Hospitalman (E-3) on 1 September as a result of an examination held locally.

Promoted from Nursing Service are R. L. Clark, K. R. Douglas, P. M. Smith, M. B. Micheaux, D. L. Thomas, John Gregorich, K. I. Johnson, Ronald Harris, M. L. Mosley, D. D. Donnelly, D. J. Tharp, M. E. Brouillette, T. F. Mussart, M. M. O'Donnell, J. C. McCrae and K. E. Hunt.

Also, Raymond Stout, R. R. Eckert, R. W. Kaiser and T. C. Ohman.

Others promoted were R. A. K. Albertson, pharmacy; OR students C. J. Salter, Richard Angyal, S. P. Bruttig, S. F. Koler, A. M. Lucero and C. E. Hill.

D. L. Reid and W. L. Shwarek of NP Service were upped, as was R. A. Lamb, who has been transferred to the Fleet Marine Force.



CHAMPION BOWLERS of the Tuesday night Men's Handicap summer league were presented their trophies last week. Pictured with their prizes are (front row) Charlie Peralta and Wayne Jones. Standing, same order, Ron Burke, Chuck Hanna and bowling lanes' manager John Forbush. Champions of the Thursday night leagues will be pictured in next week's OAK LEAF.

Hunters, Take Note

If you are lucky enough to bag a deer this season, don't let the hide go to waste. Roll it in salt and mail it collect to the Legallet Tanning Co., 1099 Quesada Ave., San Francisco, marked for Veterans Service Committee Bay District.

Local Elks organizations will pay the cost of tanning and see that the skin is donated to a VA or military hospital for use in craft programs.

New TV Series

A new television series about a young Marine lieutenant in peacetime will have its first showing tomorrow night on KRON, Channel 4, at 1930.

“The Lieutenant” will star Gary Lockwood as LT Bill Rice and Robert Vaughn as CAPT Raymond Rambridge, a severe commanding officer. The show will use locations such as Camp Pendleton, MCAS El Toro, and Bridgeport Cold Weather Training Center for its stories.



THE HILLTOPPERS, practicing hard every night after working hours are working out their plays so that they'll be ready for the opening game against Mare Island here Thursday 19 September. In full uniform and “playing for keeps” Knollite Frank Davis tried to run the ball through the line. He was stopped by Larry Ogard, Bobby Crone, Jerry Zahn, Roger Englehorn and Larry Pitts. Not in this play were Harv Simkins and John P. Porter, left.

California Game Laws Approved: Dates Set, Deer Areas Defined

Hunting regs for the 1963 season have been clarified through a special law passed by the state legislature. In effect all regulations adopted by the Fish and Game commission meeting on 24 May will govern the '63 hunting season, and a 1963 Hunting Regulations booklet will be available to hunters shortly.

Coastal early deer season is on now through 22 September with a limit of two bucks, forked-horn or better. Northern boundary is the same as for 1962, but the eastern boundary has been changed to US Highways 99W and 99 from the intersection of the Glenn-Colusa county line south to the intersection with State Highway 118 in Los Angeles county.

Northeastern California late deer season—21 September through 13 October—has a limit of one buck, three points or better.

This area includes all of Modoc county, Siskiyou county east of US Highways 97 and 99 and State highways 89 and 44, and Lassen and Sierra counties north and east of State highways 44 and 36 and US Highway 395.

Late deer season area and dates

include all that area not included in the coastal or northeastern season and extends from 21 September through 3 November.

PHEASANT SEASON

The 1963 pheasant season has been set for 23 November through 8 December statewide, and from 23 November to 22 December in the Imperial-eastern Riverside section. This later season was adopted because of a possible late rice harvest this year. Bag and possession limits are two pheasants of either sex and 10 for the season in southern California counties, and two males a day, 10 for the season in the balance of the state.

QUAIL SEASON

Quail season is 2 November through 1 January 1964, except in northeastern California which will be 2 November through 15 December. Statewide bag and possession is 10 daily. Special additional mountain quail season of 28 September through 1 November has a daily bag and possession limit of six.

BEAR SEASON

Bear season is 21 September through 1 January statewide with two bears authorized for the season.

From: Commanding Officer
To: ALL HANDS

I would like to call your attention to the great importance of the United Bay Area Crusade.

This year 183 agencies with branches in five counties will receive funds from the Crusade. This year more than ever before our youth and welfare organizations need support. We know only too well the great need for continued research being carried on by the various health organizations supported by UBAC. The Red Cross, whose many fine services mean so much to us here at Oak Knoll, is a recipient of Crusade funds. The homeless, the helpless, young and old, are cared for by UBAC agencies your keymen will be glad to tell you about.

Our chance to "give once for all" will come in the next three weeks.

I sincerely hope that every member of the staff will give and give generously so that we can reach our modest goal of \$6600—not only because the basic concept is worthy but also so that our hospital will be known in the community for its generosity as well as for its good professional work.

C. L. ANDREWS
Rear Admiral, MC, USN

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Keymen Ready for UBAC Kickoff Here Next Tuesday



THE WINNER! Johnny Reyna, a 22-year-old NP technician who believes in giving to enrich one's own life as well as to help others received the unanimous vote of the judges with his entry in the UBAC poster contest. Reyna was notified of his success just before deadline, when he received a warm handshake from CAPT W. H. Lawlor, MSC, Crusade Chairman—in lieu of the \$50 U. S. Savings Bond which has since been presented him. Copies of the poster may be seen about the compound.

Johnny studied art at Houston Vocational and Technical High, Houston, Tex., has done lots of commercial art work on a volunteer basis, and hopes to make art his career. This is the first time his talent has earned him a monetary reward. Naturally he expects to give his fair share to UBAC when the drive opens here on 1 October.

Santa Needs Your Children's Names For Annual Party

Plans are being formulated by Special Services for the annual staff Children's Christmas party to be held this year on Monday afternoon, 23 December, in the Bldg. 38 auditorium.

To insure that Santa will not forget your child, Knoll dads are requested to return the chits already distributed by Special Services. Names and ages of all staff children are needed so that gifts may be purchased accordingly.

This year's program will include cartoon movies, snacks, entertainment and Santa Claus on stage.

While one Santa is entertaining youngsters in the Auditorium, another Santa will be making the rounds in Pediatrics—also distributing gifts to hospitalized children.

Former Patient Makes 216th Jump

The story didn't mention Oak Knoll, but the face and the leg were familiar. They belonged to SGT Donald Hamblen, USMC, who was a patient here from 30 January to 27 April.

Under the headline "The Toughest Marine" the story told of the sergeant's 216th parachute leap—a perfect jump into a lake near Camp Pendleton, where he is a member of the 1st Force Reconnaissance Company. What made the jump news was that the leatherneck was wearing an artificial left leg. It was his first jump since 20 September 1962, when his 'chute dropped him on high voltage power lines. His leg was amputated at USNH, Camp Pendleton.

Hamblen, 31, who hails from Augusta, Me., not only made the per-

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The 1963 United Bay Area Crusade fund drive will get under way at Oak Knoll Tuesday, with CAPT W. K. Lawlor, MSC, at the helm and with chiefs of services and divisions acting as Keymen for their military and civilian personnel. LTJG Marvin D. Lind, MSC, is Captain Lawlor's assistant.

Each Keyman is responsible for the drive within his own service, where sub-goals have been set up that will insure Oak Knoll's meeting its overall goal of \$6600.

The strategy to be followed by Keymen includes publicizing the drive on department bulletin boards, word of mouth encouragement to give, and solicitation following civilian and military paydays.

Keymen will turn in contributions to Mr. Lind in the Staff Personnel Office, Building 101, at frequent intervals in order that competitive standings may be published. Final contributions are to be turned in no later than Monday, 21 October.

Patients will not be solicited, but their gifts will be welcome, Captain Lawlor indicated.

183 Drives in One

UBAC combines 183 appeals into one huge campaign to meet the needs of everyone—from babes in arms to elderly persons in wheelchairs.

The need has grown with the Bay Area's zooming population—an 18 per cent gain since the first year of the United Bay Area Crusade in 1956; hence more money is needed. Children and youth population has risen 43.5 per cent in the same time, and the number of persons over 65 has climbed 31.9 per cent. Both young and old need more recreational facilities, more medical care and more personal help of many kinds.

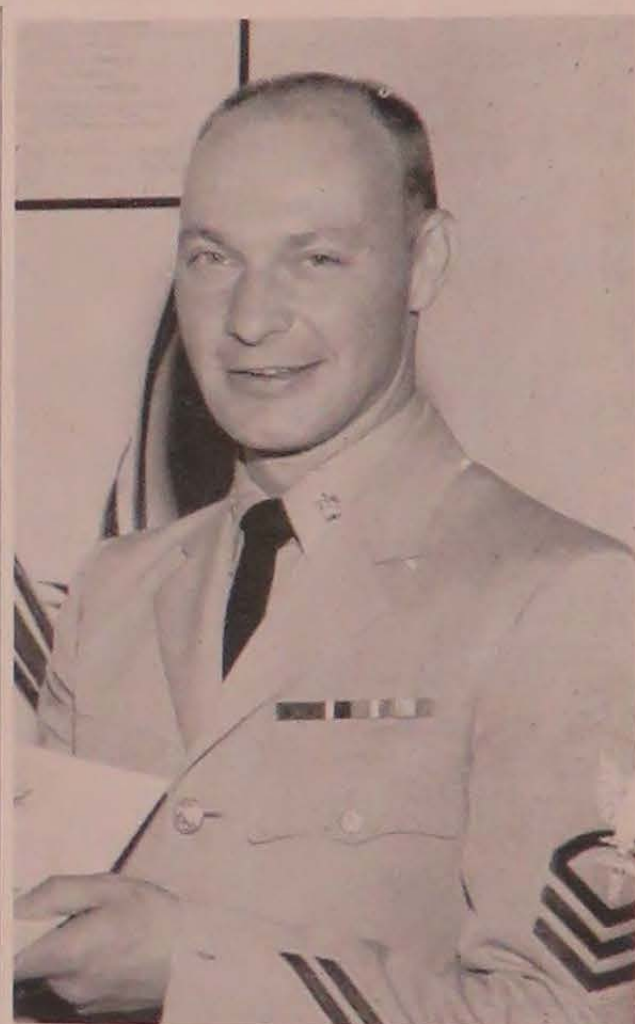
Your keymen are armed with specific information about the organizations served and will be happy to answer your questions, as will Captain Lawlor, LTJG Lind, CDR L. H. Joslin, LTJG W. L. Dowling, LCDR Harold E. Daniel, LT Richard E. Erwin, and Mr. Terrance Wright—all of whom are serving on the UBAC committee.

Upped to HN

Eight staff corpsmen will be advanced to Hospitalmen (E-3) on 1 October after successfully passing an examination held earlier this week.

Sewing new stripes will be Robert H. Watts, James R. Wilkinson, Charles L. DeShields, John L. Brudt, Charles T. Love and Sadie D. Rowell, all of Nursing Service.

Also Audrey E. Campbell, NP, and Josh W. Caffey, III, of OR.



PROMOTED TO HMCA on 16 September was Don Hansen, EST school instructor. A native of Auburn, Calif., Don has nearly eleven years' service as a hospital corpsman. The 1960 graduate of EST school has served with VR-7, Moffett Field; had MAAG duty in Chin-hae, Korea, and sea duty aboard the radar picket destroyer USS BENNER, the aircraft carrier USS ANTIETAM and the ammunition ship USS FIREDRAKE. Chief Hansen was duly initiated into the ranks of the "hard hats" during ceremonies in the Knoll CPO Club.

Dr. Edwards Selected For Four-Stripe Rank

CDR Donald W. Edwards of the Surgical Service is receiving congratulations on his selection for promotion to the rank of captain. His selection along with that of 27 other medical officers was approved last week by President Kennedy following the recent selection board meeting in Washington.

Former staff doctors soon to become four-strippers are CDRs Wayne L. Erdbrink, David H. Hosp, Winton R. Boyd, and Paul D. Doolan.

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"THE PROBLEM OF COMMUNICATION"

A story is told of a country lad who visited his city cousin. One evening, as they were walking down Broadway, the country lad suddenly stopped short and listened.

"I hear a cricket," he said, as he moved closer to a flower-box that graced one of the tall buildings.

"Don't be ridiculous," replied his city cousin. "How could anyone hear a cricket in all this din of traffic?"

Smiling, the country lad lifted his hand from the flower-box and revealed the tiny cricket that was singing above the confusing tumult of the city street.

"How could you hear that cricket in all this hellish blare?" asked the city cousin. "I did not hear it, nor had I any idea that there was a cricket within miles of here."

Pulling a coin out of his pocket, the country lad flipped it high into the air. When it hit the pavement with a metallic ring, over twenty people stopped their pace, bent over, and endeavored to find the coin that had hit the pavement.

"Did you notice that people always hear that for which they are listening?" asked the country lad, as he gently placed the cricket back in the flower-box.

All men have heard God speak in numerous codes, not once, but repeatedly in any 24 hour interval of time. Men may relegate these messages from God to the common-place because of their repetition, but thereupon, they are inclined to overlook the significance of these personal encounters with God.

If men are truly sincere in their desire to hear God speak, then let them re-evaluate all that they have relegated to the common-place. Then they will discover that God is always speaking to them in accents that they, as men, have the power to understand, in that God always speaks on the level that he finds each man.

—CHAPLAIN ROBERT H. VITZ

Navy News Roundup

CPO GARB TEST PLAN PROGRESS—Planning work was progressing well on the program for test-wear of a new Navy CPO-type uniform by first and second class petty officers announced by Navy Under Secretary Paul B. Fay, Jr., last week. Ships and submarines whose crews will test the new type uniform have been nominated by type commanders of both fleets to the Chief of Naval Operations, who will have the final say on this matter. Design for a special cap device, similar to that now worn by CPOs, has also been developed and sent along to Fay's office for his approval. A spokesman for the Under Secretary said Fay's okay could be expected within a week. And the trial will definitely include test-wearing of a CPO-type khaki uniform. . . . **McNAMARA URGES QUICK PAY ACTION**—Defense Secretary McNamara is as impatient as service people over the long delay on the military pay bill. This week he urged Congress to take quick action to get the bill into law before 1 October. Though the Senate is still balking at going to conference on the new pay bill, there were these developments: • New pay studies for the next bill are underway in the Pentagon, and officials this week made some disclosures of their nature. • The new Navy and Marine Corps proficiency pay systems will go into effect on 1 October, regardless of the status of the pay bill. . . . **"PAY BILL IS BUT A START," SMEDBERG**—The present military pay bill is but a first step toward a proper pay scale for the military, VADM William R. Smedberg, Chief of Naval Personnel, told the delegates to the 36th national convention of the Fleet Reserve Association in Phoenix, Ariz. "I have confidence there will be a pay increase in a few weeks," Smedberg said. And he predicted the effective date would be 1 October. The admiral revealed that Senator Leverett Saltonstall (R., Mass.) agrees with him in this prediction. "The pay bill is a good bill within the dollar limits set," he added. Smedberg also predicted that in the final version of the pay bill, the pre-1958 retirees would get either recomputation or five percent but not both as provided in the bill as it passed the Senate.



It was not "blue Monday" for HMC Lloyd R. Ellis. He received the CO's commendation, his permanent appointment to chief petty officer and his fifth and sixth good conduct awards. His letter was in recognition of outstanding service as Administrative Assistant to the Chief of the Dependents Out-patient Service from 16 October 1961 to 20 August 1963. "Particularly noteworthy were your continuous efforts to foster good relations between the hospital and the local civilian population and the sister services. This you did on your own initiative through showing the Navy's training film on emergency childbirth. The hospital has received many favorable comments on this film, showings of which you arranged for more than a dozen groups in the community," the letter stated. "Also highly commendable was your action in connection with a dangerous fire that occurred in May, 1962, when the contents of an alcohol lamp spilled and ignited on the floor of the Dependents Out-patient Laboratory. You not only assisted the corpsman who sustained severe burns but also ordered the fire department notified and patients evacuated from the building. You extinguished the fire with equipment at hand before the fire department arrived and made recommendations to help prevent such fires in the future. Your 4.0 record reflects your efficiency, hard work, loyalty and complete devotion to duty as well as the respect of the two Chiefs of Services under whom you served during the period covered by this commendation."

Chief Ellis has completed over 19 years' service in the Navy.

Five CS Workers Win 20-Year Pins

Five more civilian workers have passed the 20-year mark in Federal Service, and each received his lapel emblem and the congratulations of the CO at his September meeting with civilian supervisors. They are Martha McCarty, Operating Services; Fielding Pettijohn, Food Service; Johnnie Campbell, Food Service; Eloise Voetsch, Personnel and Records; and Ernest Hudson, Maintenance.

Staff Conference

Walton Yates, Federal narcotics agent, spoke at the quarterly general staff conference last Friday on "The Physician and the Narcotics Problem."

Nora Hampton To Tell O' Wives Of Paris Trends

Nora Hampton, whose Oakland Tribune fashion editions brighten the lives—and perhaps the wardrobes of East Bay ladies, will speak to the Officers' Wives at their 9 October meeting. Just back from the Paris fashion openings, she will undoubtedly tell the wives whether to shorten or lengthen, flatten or fatten.

In order to assure a good audience for the speaker and give young mothers an opportunity to enjoy the program and still get home before school is out, the speaker will come first, with a social hour and luncheon following. All are asked to be seated in the Officers' Club ballroom by 1215.

Mrs. R. C. Colgrove is program chairman, and wives of officers on the Orthopedic and EENT Services will be hostesses.

Other activities on the club calendar, according to Mrs. J. E. Hamill, president, are numerous and varied.

The "Order of the Black Berets" will hold its first session from 1000 to 1300 7 October in Bldg. 25, top-side, its purpose to study the principles of painting and drawing and art appreciation. Jean Fox, who has her BA and MA in art from U.C., has studied at the San Francisco College of Fine Arts, and has won various awards, including first place at the Jack London Square Art Show, will be the instructor. Admission to twelve sessions is \$10 (and may be paid in two installments). Students will provide their own supplies. Media used will include charcoal, watercolor, collage, pastels, and oils.

Those who prefer bowling will rendezvous at Midway Bowl, 162nd and East 14th, on 10 October, bringing their babies along, for this alley provides sitters! Team captains will be Mrs. D. W. Edwards, Mrs. Alan Erde, and Mrs. H. B. Rice.

The bridge "set" will start building Tuesday, 15 October at 1000 in the Mikado Room. Call Mrs. G. L. Leverett, 538-0462 for reservations.

CNO Invites All Hands To Write of Freedom

EVERY YEAR the Freedom Foundation invites servicemen and women to write a letter on a subject dealing with freedom.

I should like to encourage the men and women of the Navy to participate in this competition, for I believe that reflection on this subject and the formulation of your ideas on it will make you better, more thoughtful citizens of our great country. I hope to see Navy personnel among the top winners, and shall look forward to extending my congratulations to them in person when they visit Washington.

*Adm. David L. McDermott
 Chief of Naval Operations



Some Good Tips To Help During Your Next Move

Your best move, when you move your household goods, says the Navy's Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, is to follow these "one, two, three and four" steps:

1. Immediately upon receipt of orders contact the nearest household goods office to ascertain your exact entitlement and obtain detailed printed information. If ordered overseas, get a copy of the living pamphlet from EPDO or BUPERS.

2. Review your inventory before shipment so no unnecessary items are moved which may place you above your weight allowance and thereby cause checkage of your pay.

Remember that automobiles or other motor vehicles; trailers, with or without other property; boats or component parts thereof, such as outboard motors; alcoholic beverages, sea stores or tax free cigarettes; animals and birds; perishable foodstuffs and plants; dangerous material such as loaded firearms, ammunition, photoflash bulbs, flammables and acids; articles intended directly or indirectly for persons other than the member and his immediate family, or articles for sale may not be transported as household goods at government expense. (Shipment of automobiles and other privately-owned motor vehicles are covered by separate laws and regulations. See your household goods transportation officer for information).

3. Insure that items such as professional books, papers, and equipment are separately packed and weighed or an estimate of weight is made. Of course, all such items must be required by the member for reference or other purposes in the performance of official duties.

4. Advise transportation officer at destination immediately when you have arrived so that your goods may be delivered as soon as possible.



AT THE ANNUAL OAK KNOLL MEETING of the Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association, the top ranking officers (1) of guest and host organizations were snapped by the staff photographer. From left, they are Dr. Paul Cronenwett, ACCMA vice-president; Dr. Harold Kay, president; Admiral Andrews, hospital CO; Dr. Carl Goetsch, secretary-treasurer of the visiting group; and CAPT William S. Baker, Jr., Knoll XO. The professional program (2) arranged by CAPT Donald W. Robinson, center, included papers by CDR Donald W. Edwards, left, and CDR Raymond H. Watten, right. The dinner (3) was served chuckwagon style in the courtyard, Johnnie Campbell slicing the steamship roast to LCDR E. M. deArrigoitia's order, while LCDR J. C. Honet, Dr. James J. Sanchez, Dr. Earl Stern, and Dr. W. W. Stiles, line up hopefully. The meal was consumed at tables that filled the large dining room and foyer to capacity and overflowed into the arcades facing the courtyard. In (4) David Marrow adds the "a la mode" to apple pie for former Knollite Dr. Frank Staggers (center) and Dr. Colbert S. Davis. The hat check girl, HM3 Sandra Ehlers (5) discovered the major difference between civilian and Navy doctors is that all Navy doctors wear hats. More than 300 attended the meeting, according to LTJG Jack W. Smith, Officers' Mess treasurer, who was responsible for the dinner arrangements.

Knoll Navy Wives' Club Schedules Open House in Bldg. 25, 11 October

Oak Knoll Navy Wives' Club No. 160 invites all husbands and wives of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard to Open House at their clubrooms, topside, I & E Building (#25) the evening of Friday, 11 October.

The hours are 1900 to 2100, and even the children are invited.

Carol Warnes, club president, Mary Paddie, club chaplain, and Mrs. Roy G. Brown, sponsor, will greet the guests.

The local organization of Navy Wives' Clubs of America, Inc., is one of 107 clubs located both stateside and overseas. It was originally the Berkeley Navy Wives' Club, but in March 1960, it dedicated its new home at Oak Knoll and later was renamed and rechartered the Oak Knoll Navy Wives' Club.

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Tickets and transportation to all Cal home games are available to staff and patient personnel in Special Services.

The Cal home game schedule lists five games, including last Saturday's clash with Iowa State.

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Knollites who would like to take advantage of reserved seats should contact Special Services, Ext. 595, by Friday of the game day. Transportation leaves Bldg. 38 at noon Saturday for Berkeley, and returns following the game.

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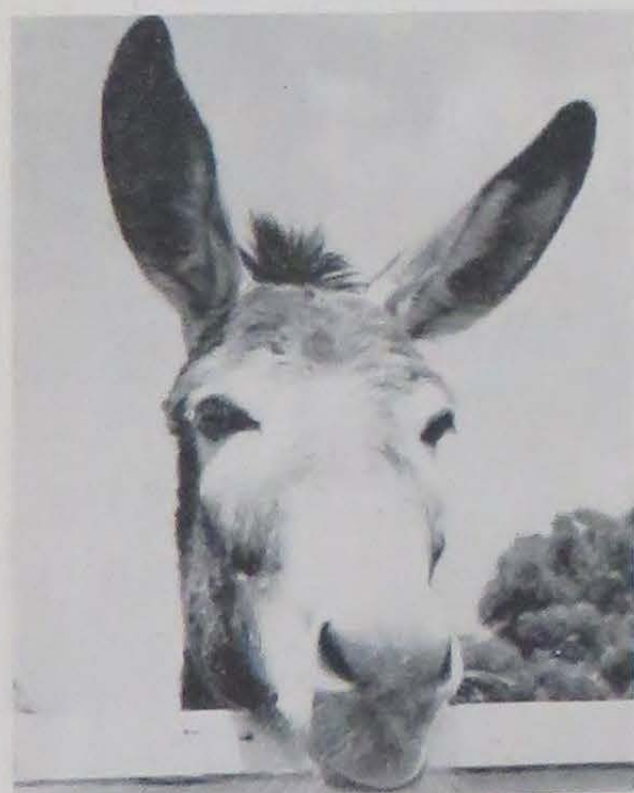
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Hilltoppers' 1963 Football Schedule

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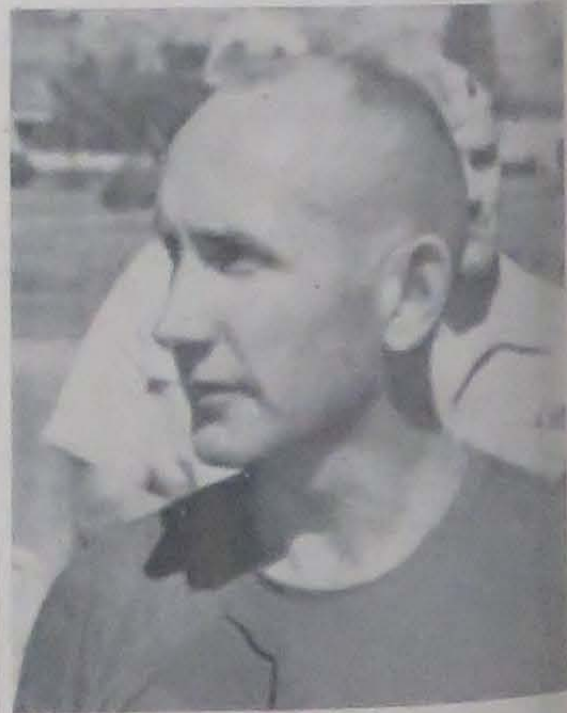
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"All this didn't surprise us," said CDR Frank L. Golbranson, head of the Amputee Branch. "He was a fine patient, and when he headed back to Camp Pendleton, he was determined to remain on active duty—to be a good member of the corps he has served for 13 years."

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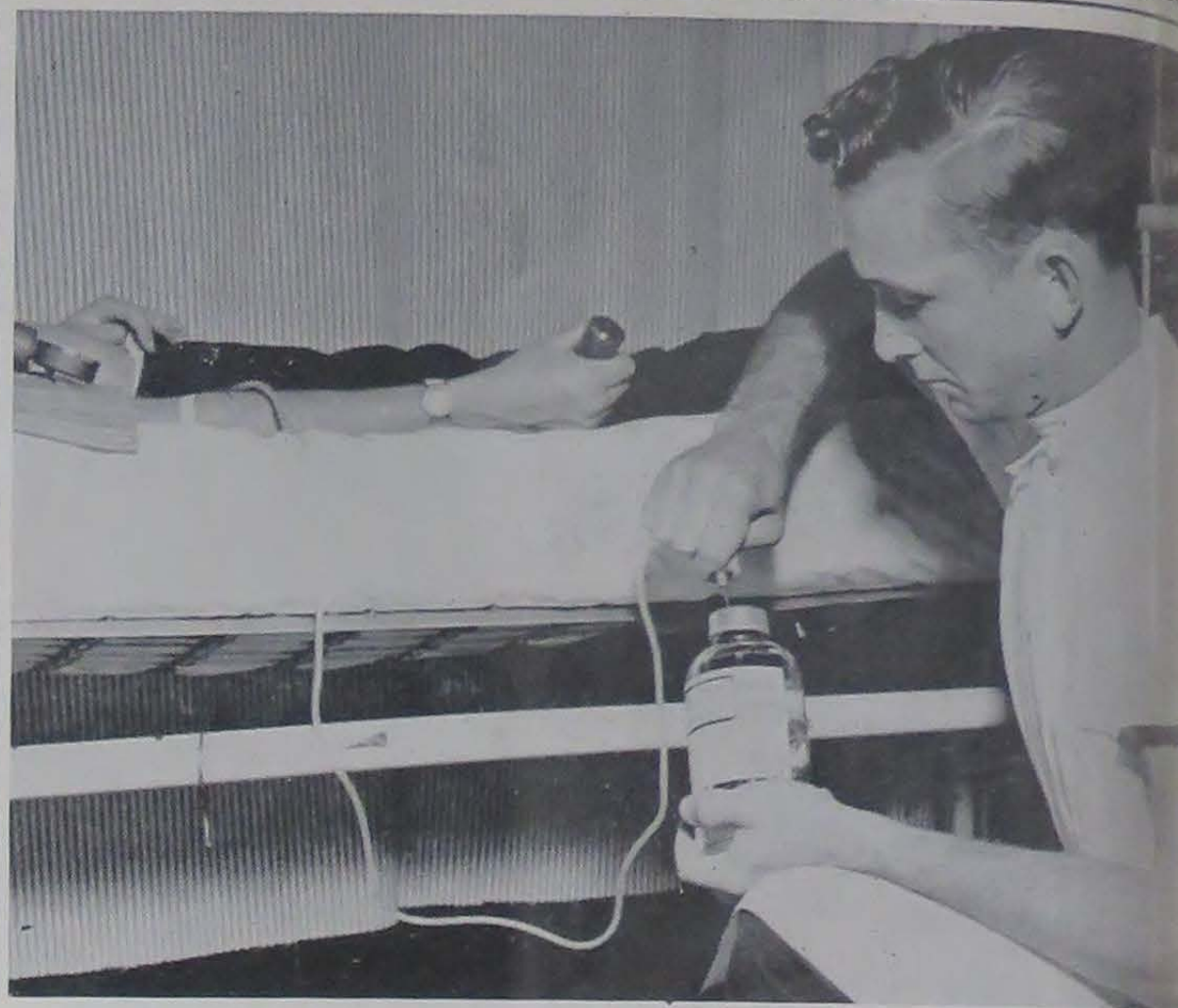
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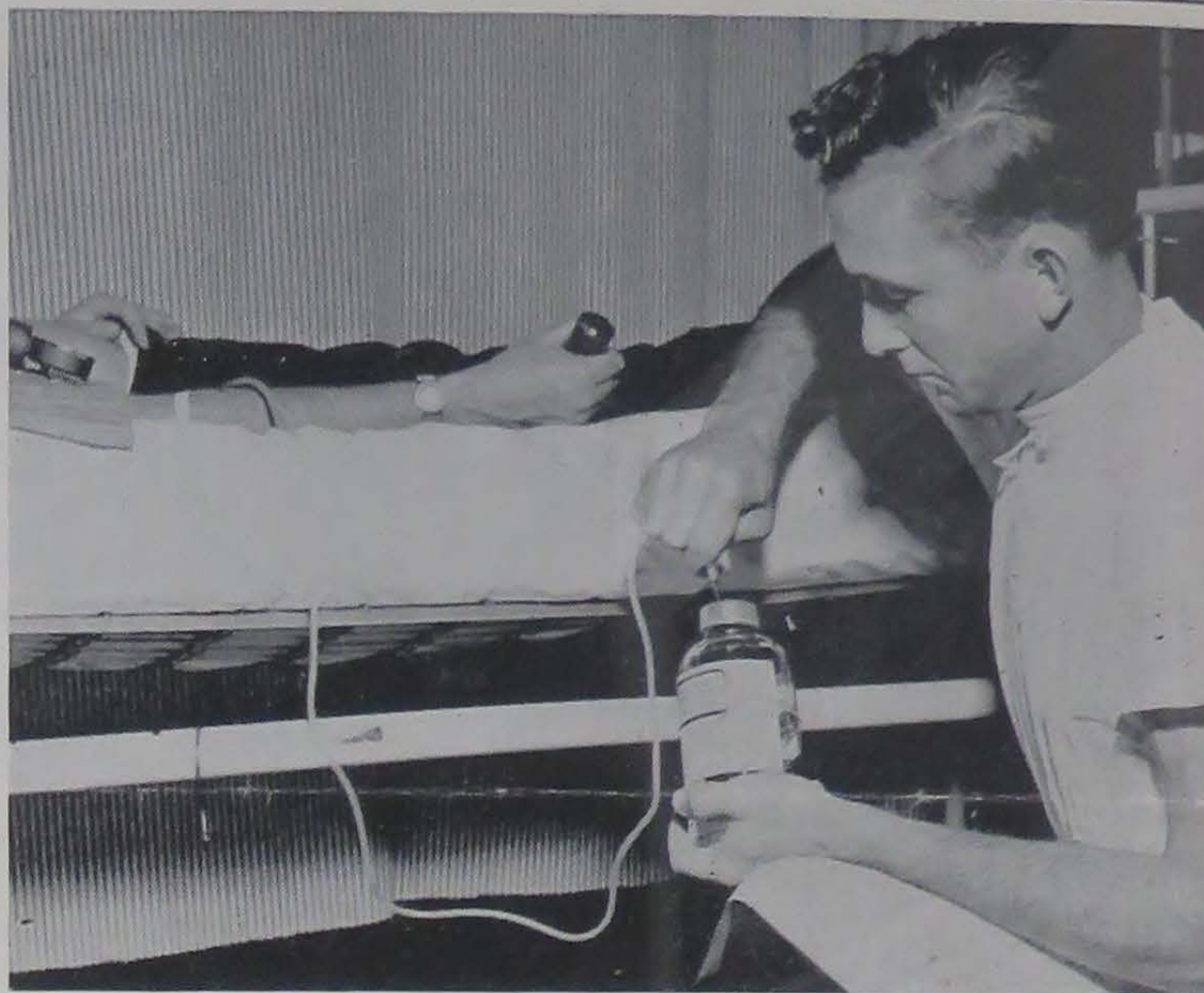
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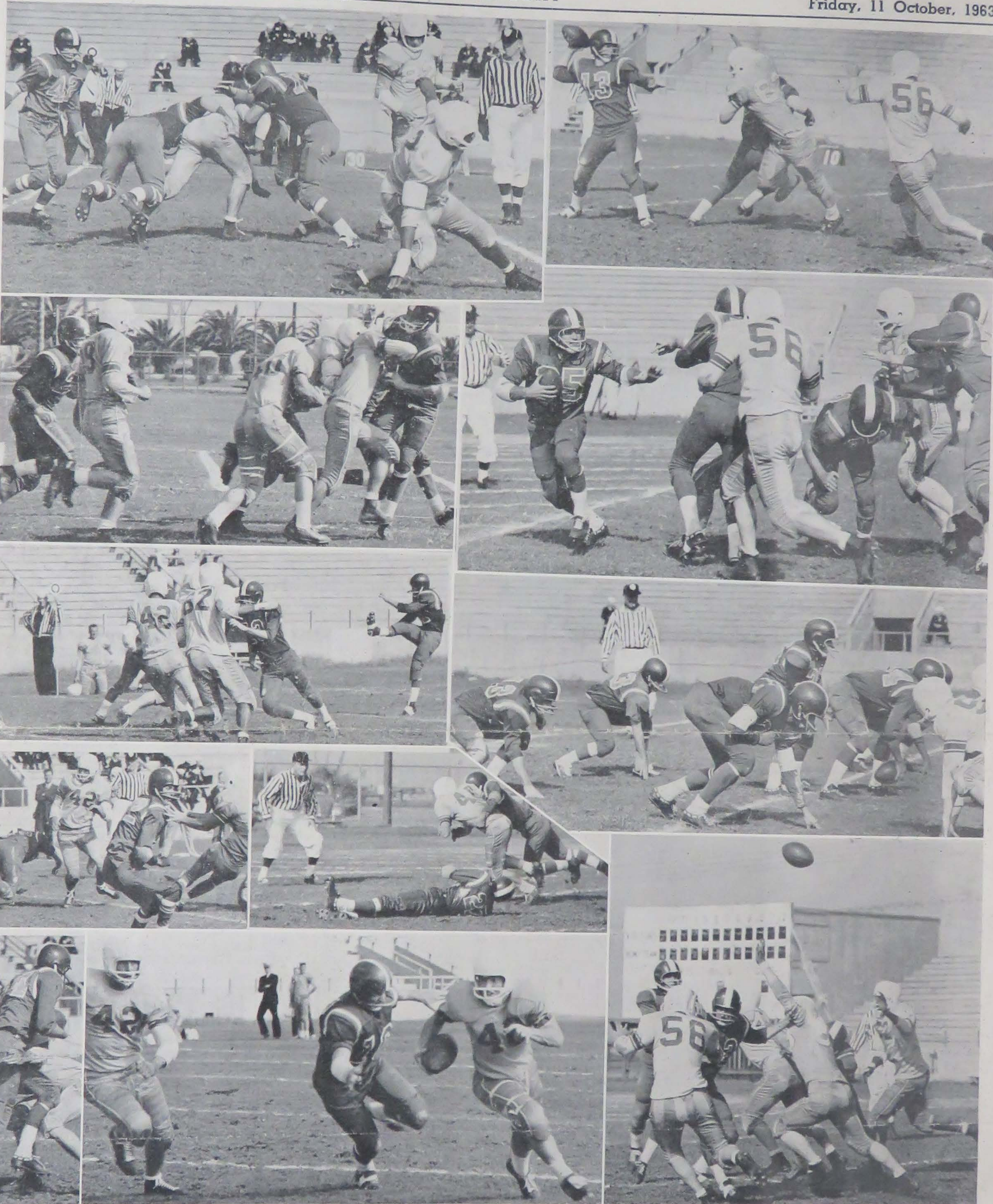
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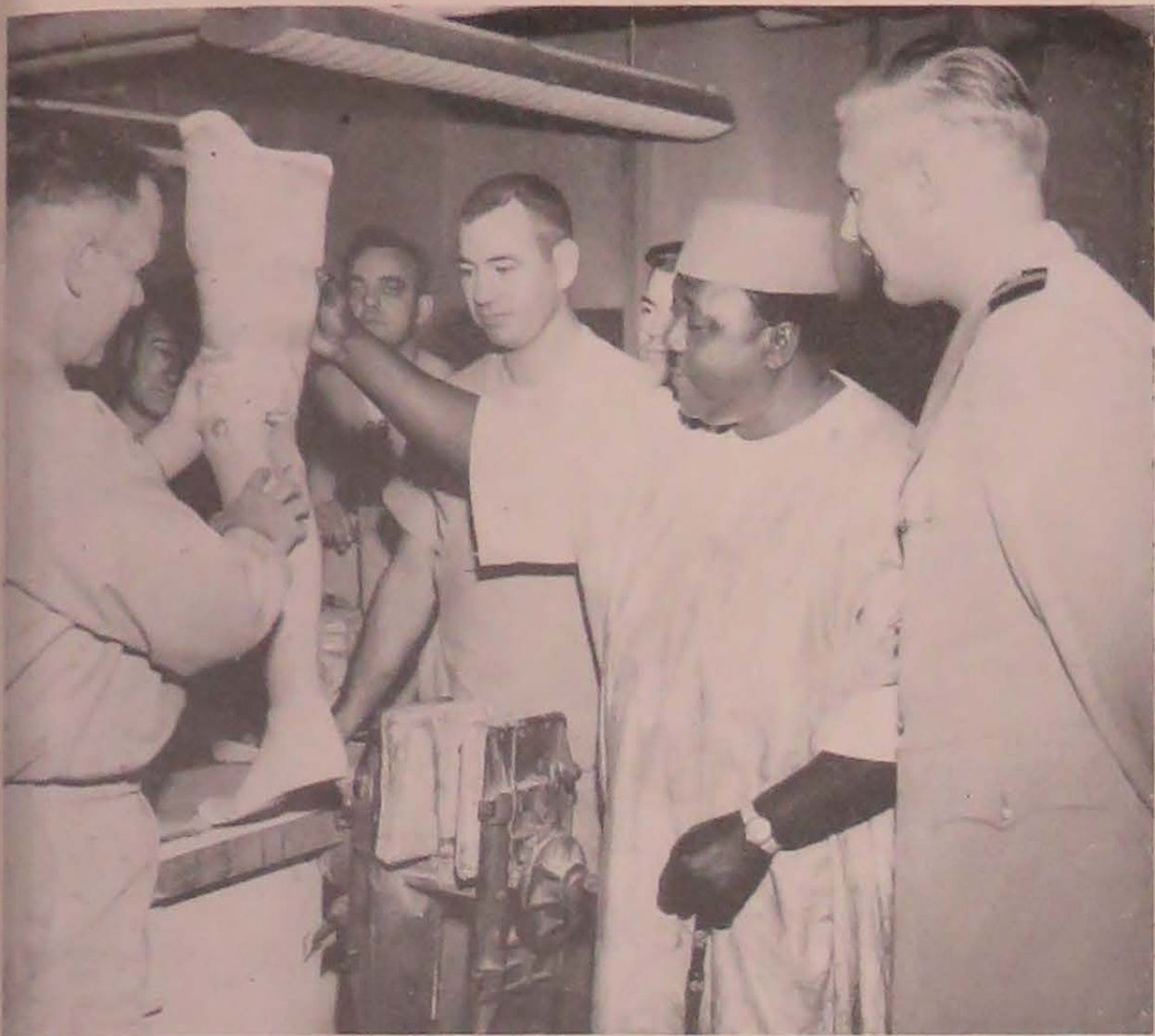
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West African Veterans' Official Tours Prosthetic Research Lab

Abu B. Magba Kamara of Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa, visited the Commanding Officer and toured the Prosthetic Research Laboratory Monday.

Mr. Abu, Secretary General of the Sierra Leone Ex-Servicemen's Association and a member of the World Veterans Federation Council is seeking ways to aid the many handicapped veterans in his country and was particularly interested in the Navy's use of plastics in artificial limb making.

"We have only one limb-fitter in our country and many amputees in need of rehabilitation," he told members of the laboratory staff. "I want very much to find ways to help them live useful, productive lives again."

Educated in Sierra Leone by British teachers, the African visitor is

extremely well-informed and speaks excellent English. Although he ordinarily wears a western business suit, he donned the national costume of Sierra Leone for his visit to Oak Knoll.

The major purpose of Mr. Abu's stop in Oakland was to visit Dr. Douglas Toffelmier, Oakland orthopedist, founder of and consultant for the Navy Amputee Center here. As consultant in rehabilitation for the World Veterans Federation, Dr. Toffelmier has visited Vietnam, Pakistan, Egypt, India, and Burma, and his work is known in Mr. Abu's country.

Following his visit here he left for Los Angeles and will visit Atlanta, Ga., before returning to West Africa via Washington, D. C. He was accompanied by Bill Raiford, State Department representative.



NEW STEAM PRESSER—A \$1,000 steam presser was turned over to HMC John Forbush, Barracks CMAA, by LT Gordon S. McComb, Special Services Officer, and HMC Jack W. Pazin, last week. The presser is located in Barracks 29 and is intended for the use of all staffers. The presser was purchased with recreation funds.

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Seven departments were leading the campaign with 100 percent of their dollar goals or more turned in.

Nursing Service heads the list with 150 percent of its goal; Administration is next with 146 percent. Staff Personnel has given 135 percent of its goal; Ophthalmology 131 percent. Physical Medicine and Pharmacy each ran their thermometers up to 110 percent, and Fiscal and Supply turned in the necessary cash to reach their goal just in time to be mentioned here.

The Orthopedic Service is coming close with 97 percent. Security Division is 92 percent of the way to its goal.

All Staff EMs Invited to Annual Halloween Dance

The witches and goblins will be out for all Knoll enlisteds on Friday evening, 1 November, in the Bldg. 38 auditorium.

Costumes are optional, but prizes will be awarded to the most original male and female outfits—as judged by the members of HM1 Bob Ellis' Recreation Committee.

The auditorium will be decorated in harvest scenes—corn stalks, pumpkins, witches, black cats, and goblins.

A buffet dinner will be served beginning at 1900. It will consist of roast beef, chicken sticks, fried prawns and a salad bar. Refreshments will be available—all free of charge.

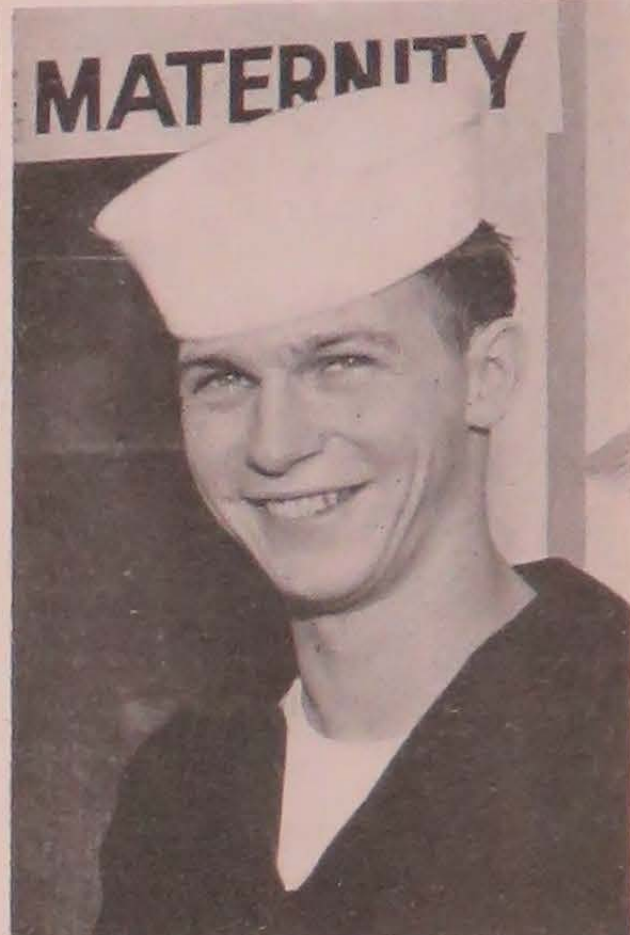
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The dress is semiformal for Knollites not in costume.

Day at Sea on Midway Enjoyed by Knollites

Despite rain and rough seas the carrier USS MIDWAY took visitors aboard for a cruise on 15 October, and a good time was had by all who went from Oak Knoll.

In the group were CAPT J. E.



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Knoll's Firstborn Returns to Inspect Place of Arrival

Gary Lowell Sehrt, SN, USNR, a patient on 62B, strolled into the OB-GYN Services office the other day to confirm what his relatives had told him.

Sure enough, his mother's name and a record of his arrival ("male child—6 lbs., 11½ oz.") are right there in an old log to prove that he was indeed, the first baby born at Oak Knoll. That was 20 years ago on 4 August 1943, when his father, Orville, was serving in the Pacific.

"My relatives tell me that Oak Knoll wasn't quite ready for me when I came," Gary reported with an engaging smile that indicated he is rather pleased with his part in the history of this 21-year-old Navy medical activity.

In August 1960 Sehrt joined San Jose Naval Reserve Unit 1236, of which his father was a member. He has been on active duty for nearly two years, coming here from Yokosuka, Japan, where his ship, the guided missile cruiser USS PROVIDENCE is home-ported.

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LEARN TO LIVE

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Lifting his hand to quiet the mob, he began to speak in condescending tones, "As anyone with intelligence can plainly see, the pronunciation of the word is 'potato'. 'Gh' is the sound of 'p' as used in 'hiccough'; 'ough' is 'o' as the word 'dough' indicates; 'phth' calls for the sound of 't', exactly as it is used in 'phthisic'; 'eigh' is the true sound of 'a' as used in the word 'neighbor'; 'tte' distinctly calls for the sound of 't' as in 'gazette'; and 'eau' is definitely the sound of 'o' as the word 'beau' clearly indicates.

While the mob puzzled over the sophisticated pronunciation of the mystery word, the pseudo-egg-head quickly turned and made his escape. He knew that the mob would eventually discover by its own power of observation that the word "potato" always begins with the letter "p."

Semantic twists are fatal when the confused state of the mind is no longer recognized, and "darkness" is declared to be "light," and "light" to be "darkness." Pathetic is the man who tries to live as if the word "live," as well as its meaning, can be reversed without impunity. He who tries to force this reversal eventually discovers that he has filled his life to the brim with "evil," even as the reversal in spelling indicates.

By referring to the Bible, a man has access to many valuable clues, by which he can avoid semantic twists that pervert his thinking. Such an exercise will give him no ground for cultivating a superiority complex, but he will derive sufficient insight to live his life to the fullest by keeping each and every expression of it in its proper place and setting.

Christ defined it thus: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and all other things will be added to it in their proper places."

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Navy News Roundup

HEART-LUNG MACHINE DEVELOPED FOR NAVY — A simple, cheap and easily operated pump-oxygenator or heart-lung machine, has been developed for the Navy by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The machine, which must undergo clinical testing before it goes into general use, weighs only 50 pounds. This makes it particularly adaptable for use aboard naval ships and in small field hospitals. The machine's low cost, about \$1,000, will make it available to many hospitals which cannot normally afford machines such as this. The pump-oxygenator is highly reliable and does not require electricity to operate, thereby removing the danger from power failures and other hazards. One purpose of this research project was to design a heart-lung machine that would prolong the period of safe bypass of the heart and lungs . . . **NAVY I & E OFFICES KILLED** — The Navy's Information and Education (I & E) program, as such, is dead. Under a reorganization of the Bureau of Naval Personnel, the jobs done by the I&E section become part of the work of the Leadership section. A revised Leadership Manual to be distributed soon will contain information on General Military Training — the new name for the old I&E . . . **DUTY-FREE GIFT PRIVILEGE REMAINS** — The Customs Bureau said it would give the \$10 duty-free privilege six more months to go. If service people abroad in number violate the privilege, the amount will be reduced to \$1, Customs warned.



MILITARY AND CIVILIAN co-workers of Mrs. Rachel Stephens (front, center) gathered on the steps of the Dependent's Clinic recently to wish her a happy retirement after answering "millions of phone calls" during her 12 years at Oak Knoll. Gathered for this photo are, front row, from the left: HN Leo Smallie, CAPT James P. Semmens, Chief of OB-GYN; Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Lillian Winfield and HMCM Carl C. Coward. Second row: LCDR John R. Lukas, Mrs. Jean Ledbetter, Mrs. Lena Mendonca, LCDR Bernice M. Maynard, Mrs. Rose Cooper and LT A. C. Rolen. Third row: LCDR Billie D. Viele, HM3 Bradley Besaw, Susie Littleton, HNs Trudy Helmlinger, Clara Ralls, Mrs. Betty A. Basye and LT Robert C. Cefalo.



AS FOLK MUSIC AND HOOTENANNY ROUNDUPS sweep the colleges and the nation, four Knollites have been getting in their licks performing with the best of them. During a recent Folk Festival at the College of Holy Names, staffers (from the left) Chris Nielson, Pat Laufenberg, Security; Jerry Blair, Orthopedics, and Mike McCarthy, NP, performed for more than 30 minutes on stage. Chris Nielson, who played the guitar, has since been transferred to Taipei, Formosa.



HOMEWARD BOUND are these three Korean Naval Officers who have spent the last year as observer trainees at Oak Knoll. Though happy to be returning home, they expressed reluctance to leave their many friends at the hospital. LT Yi Chong-ho, left, and LTJG Chin Chang-kon, right, were both assigned to Internal Medicine, and LTJG Kwon Sok-hyon had a variety of assignments in the Nursing Service.



Quote of the Week

"The longer I live and the more I see, the more confidence I have in the American system of constant good will and service to other nations, and of free enterprise and personal liberty." — Former President Herbert Hoover on his 89th birthday.

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OH, WOMAN! Theodore C. Ohman, HN, is on duty in the main nursery.

NO VOLKSWAGEN? HM1 Ford of PatPers and HMC Dodge of I&E are on night duty at the OOD's desk. When they go off watch at 0800, HM2 Packard takes over.

LIFE BEGAN on 8 October for Michael Allen Egleston, 6 lb., 9 oz. son of David Egleston, HM3, EEG Lab., and wife Mary . . . on 11 October for Hilmon Morgan Holley, 6 lb., 2 oz. son of LT Hilmon Holley, Pediatrics, and wife, Josephine . . . on 22 October for Leslie Packard, 7 lb., 6 oz. daughter of Leslie Packard, HM2, OOD's Desk, and wife Kathleen.

OAKNOLLUMNI: LTJG Catherine P. Hess (says CADUCEUS of USNH, Great Lakes) was commended by RADM Frank P. Kreuz, CO, for outstanding performance as charge nurse on the neurosurgical ward. It seems only yesterday that Kay was a Corps Wave on duty in surgery, but she left for U. of Colorado in '58 after being selected for the Navy Nurse Candidate program.

BUT IT WAS DELIVERED: The CO recently received a letter addressed to him at U. S. Marine—nowland Hospital, Oakland.



OAK KNOLL'S DISASTER PLAN was put into effect last Friday at 1300 when the fire whistle screamed a long series of long and short blasts. The drill was to test the organization and proficiency of the plan in the event of an actual disaster. Friday's problem was basically simple—an aircraft had theoretically crashed into buildings at Naval Supply Center, fire had broken out and an estimated 200 casualties were to be sped to Oak Knoll for emergency treatment. The problem became more complex when it was learned that the plane carried a nuclear weapon. There was no explosion, but a one-point detonation was recorded by the Radiological Control team, which reported that some casualties were contaminated with tritium. The OL photographer recorded these scenes, top row, from the left: Casualties arriving at the Triage Center outside Bldg. 38. An over-all view of the casualties being examined, their diagnoses recorded and assignments to surgery or to various wards follow. Dr. Semmens and LCDR French assisted by two HMs note information concerning the patient on the emergency data card. Second row: Dr. Hauser and LCDR Miller process a casualty in the Triage Center. Dr. Goldthwaite receives a patient from NSC. HM1 Jim Love expedites transfer of patients to various wards. Third row: ENS Sara Bowmer and LT Mary Rooney check in casualties who were contaminated. The Triage Center moved to the athletic field when it became apparent that tritium contamination was present. Following decontamination, patients were routed to wards for treatment. CDR Chapman reports to Dr. Robinson, Chief of Surgery and Officer in Charge of Disaster Planning, who keeps tally of the processing of casualties. The drill was secured at 1500.

Ben Nelson Wins Cash Award For Outstanding Work

Heading the list of award winners at Admiral Andrews' October meeting with civilian supervisors was Benjamin E. Nelson, inspector, Maintenance Division, who received a 200-dollar check in recognition of "outstanding contributions above and beyond normal expectations" during the period September 1962 to August 1963.

The CO presented 20-year service awards to Mrs. Marie Couser, mess attendant; Ewald Meier, fire chief; and Robert Amburgey, firefighter. Mrs. Couser's two decades in government service have been spent here at Oak Knoll. Mr. Meier served in the Navy for two years, began his civilian Federal career at NAS, Alameda, and transferred to Oak Knoll in 1948. Mr. Amburgey served with the U.S. Engineers in Alaska, had two tours of duty in the Navy, and two as a civilian at Oak Knoll—his present tour beginning in 1951.

Dinah M. Weathington, nursing assistant, received a 50-dollar award for her suggestion to increase safety of patients by providing hand-holds in showers. Hartha Caires' idea for a direction sign for the entrance to

CPOs' Halloween Dinner Dance Is Tomorrow Night

Oak Knoll Chief Petty Officers will hold their annual Halloween dinner and dance tomorrow night in their club.

Costumes are mandatory, and prizes will be awarded for the most original dress.

The dinner begins at 1900. On the menu is fried chicken, with baked potatoes, salad—the works!

Dancing begins at 2100. Tickets are available from the club manager, HMC Chuck Axworthy, or may be purchased at the door.

If you ask me I will agree, I think that I shall never see a poem so lovely as a t'ree—A t'ree day pass made out to me.

If you think that you're having trouble supporting your wife, just try not supporting her.

Ward 72B, won her \$15, and Anthony Viada, former firefighter, was mailed a 40-dollar (less tax) check for his money-saving idea for installing the internal security radio tower.

DOD Urges Yule Gifts be Mailed In November

The Department of Defense has announced that Christmas gifts for Armed Forces personnel overseas should be mailed between 1 November and 20 November.

Gifts should be securely packed in cartons of wood, metal, or double-faced corrugated fiberboard. Fragile items should be surrounded by tightly packed cushioning materials such as excelsior or shredded paper. Mailing of matches, lighter fluid, and similar flammable items is prohibited. Tobacco products and coffee may not be sent to certain APOs. Mailers should consult their local post office for details on these and other restrictions and for size and weight limitations to certain areas.

Mailers are urged to mail their gifts as early as possible during this period to minimize possibilities of non-delivery before Christmas Day.

How to succeed in marriage—A husband should always help his wife with housework. For instance, holding the stepladder while she paints the ceiling.

HELP WANTED

Men able to accept responsible positions of leadership in a worldwide organization considered best in its field. Excellent opportunities for advancement. Worldwide travel and adventure. Educational courses provided without charge. Thirty days vacation each year with full pay. Medical and dental care for employees provided free of cost. Medical care benefits provided for employee's family.

Employer will pay costs of moving all household goods if relocation is necessary or desired. Retraining available at organization's expense in new and expanding fields. Unequalled retirement plan plus cash bonus for renewal of employment contract.

FOR INFORMATION SEE: CIVIL READJUSTMENT U. S. Navy Career Information



BACKFIELDER Joe Sartain (#13) breaks away through the line to gain some yardage during last week's clash with the Coast Guard on the local gridiron. Even though the final score tallied 18 to 18, the CG filed an official protest on the grounds that Coach Moffett "officiated" from the side lines.



THE HILLTOPPERS EAT up more yardage as Squeek Stillman (#15) speeds around the right end during the Coast Guard game last week. The Hilltoppers' attempt for their first win of the season was squashed when the referee's gun signalled the end of the game with the score board showing a final 18 to 18 score.



A MOLIGAN attempts to buck the line of the Big Green—but is quickly brought down by Larry Pitts (rear) and Bobby Crone on the Knoll athletic field. The Hilltoppers will meet the Coast Guard once more during the 12ND season. "Next time," the team chants unanimously, "we'll take them out beyond the three-mile limit and introduce them to the "deep-six."

Sign Up Now For Winter League Games

Sports-minded Knollites who would like to represent this Naval hospital in 12ND competitions should register with Coach Ken Moffett in Special Services.

Names are needed to fill billets on the basketball, volleyball, badminton and wrestling teams.

Practice will begin immediately following the closing of the football season—only a month away.

Deep Sea Trip Planned For 2 November

Special Services has scheduled another deep-sea fishing trip aboard the PRIVATEER II out of Berkeley yacht harbor on 2 November.

Knollites will be required to pay \$3—or half fare—and Special Services will match the fee for a total of \$6 each.

All fishing tackle will be provided.

Only a limited number of reservations can be made. If you'd like to go to sea for a day, list your name in the Special Services' office, Bldg. 38, or call Ext. 595.

The fishing vessel usually gets underway at 0600.

Not All Knoll Streets Are Named For MDs—One Honors Chief Beeman

A recent issue of this LEAF stated that Oak Knoll streets are named for doctors who lost their lives in World War II. Since then the fact has come to light that at least one street—Beeman—bears the name of a heroic corpsman who died in action in the Pacific.

He was Arthur C. Beeman, CPhM, USN, a member of the crew of the submarine USS AMBERJACK.

While surfaced at New Britain in the Solomons the sub was strafed by the enemy in February 1943. Chief Beeman had helped one wounded man below decks and was coming

SecDef OKs Two ProPay Plans For Services

The Secretary of Defense has approved the Navy's new Enlisted Proficiency Pay program. SecDef authorized two types of proficiency pay. Specialty, to increase retention in the critically undermanned skills, and Superior Performance, to recognize superior performance in assigned duties. Specialty pay awards are established at \$100, \$75, \$50, and \$30 per month and Superior Performance at \$25 per month.

The criteria for determining relative criticality of skills include length of required formal schooling, replacement training costs, current shortages of career petty officers, and first-term reenlistment rates.

The awards are concentrated into fewer skill areas at higher rates of pay and add more stability than in the past. The award will run as long as two years. BuPers anticipates that all qualified petty officers eligible will receive this career incentive pay.

Since the funds allotted are limited, awards must be channeled to these personnel as an incentive to become and remain careerists in their fields.

Since the proficiency pay program has been a highly controversial and often misunderstood subject, the Secretary of the Navy was careful to point out that pro-pay should be considered as a form of incentive pay.

The objectives of the payments are:

Specialty Pay—To provide a differential pay incentive for retention in the Navy of enlisted personnel with military specialties which require long and costly training and in which the supply of qualified career personnel has been and is projected to be inadequate to meet Navy requirements.

Superior Performance Pay—To provide an incentive for personnel not otherwise eligible for pro-pay, to achieve superior performance in their jobs. Due to insufficient funds to provide an effective program this category will not be used by the Navy at present.

Knollites—HMs, DTs, MAs and DKs—come under the Superior Performance program.

More details concerning specific qualifications and critical ratings and NEC's may be found in BuPers Inst. 1430.12E in the PERSONNEL OFFICE.

back for another when the machine gun bullets hit him. He had already earned the Bronze Star medal for heroic action in the Solomons from 3 September to 30 October 1942.

The street named for Chief Beeman starts at Rall and appropriately connects Hospital Corps Quarters, the EM Club, and other buildings in that area.

The OL has LT W. L. Blankenship to thank for this item. While examining a map of Oak Knoll, he spotted Beeman street and recalled the story of the courageous corpsman. BuMed supplied his full name and other details.



HM3 Billy W. Conner was presented his Pharmacy technician's certificate this week after successfully completing a one-year on-the-job training program at Oak Knoll. The native of Merrill, Oregon, joined the Navy in May, 1961, after completing one year at Oregon Tech. Before entering college, Conner served with the Army for two years—in Korea, Madigan General Hospital, Tacoma, Wash., and Fort Ord.

After enlisting, Conner was ordered to the aircraft carrier USS HANCOCK and sailed to Hawaii, the Philippines and to Japan. He joined the Navy originally to attend X-ray School, but due to quota limitations he had to settle for Pharmacy training. He is very happy with the way things turned out.

He came to Oak Knoll in August, 1962, and expects to spend the next 19 months here.

He is uncertain of his career at this time—however, if he decides to leave the Navy, he will return to his folks' ranch in Merrill and work in the solitude of the "great outdoors."

Daughter: "Daddy, I want to buy some shorts for tennis and gym."

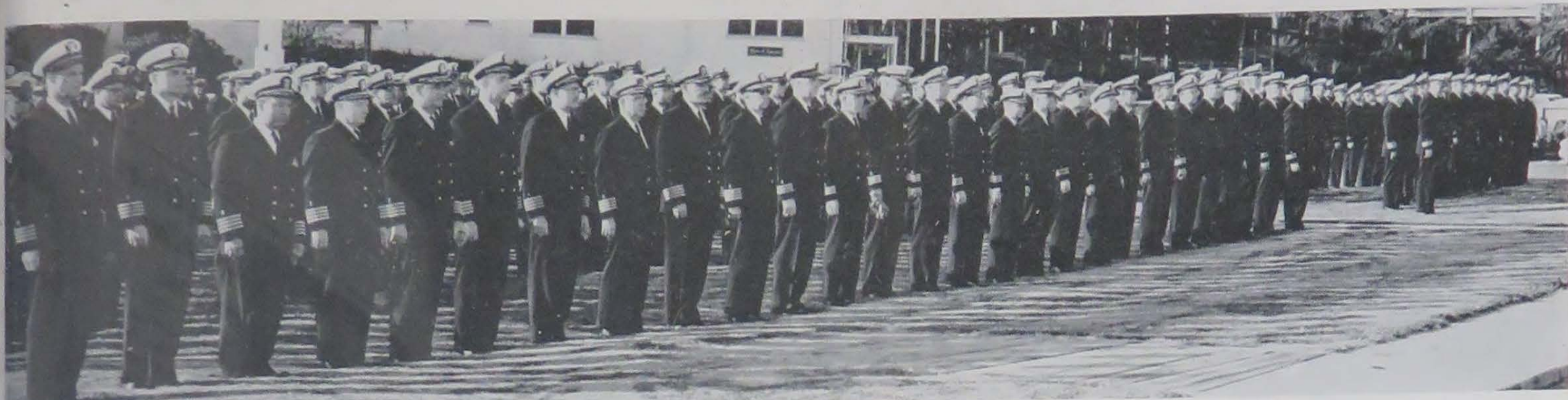
Daddy: "I'll buy you a pair for tennis, but Jim will have to buy his own."

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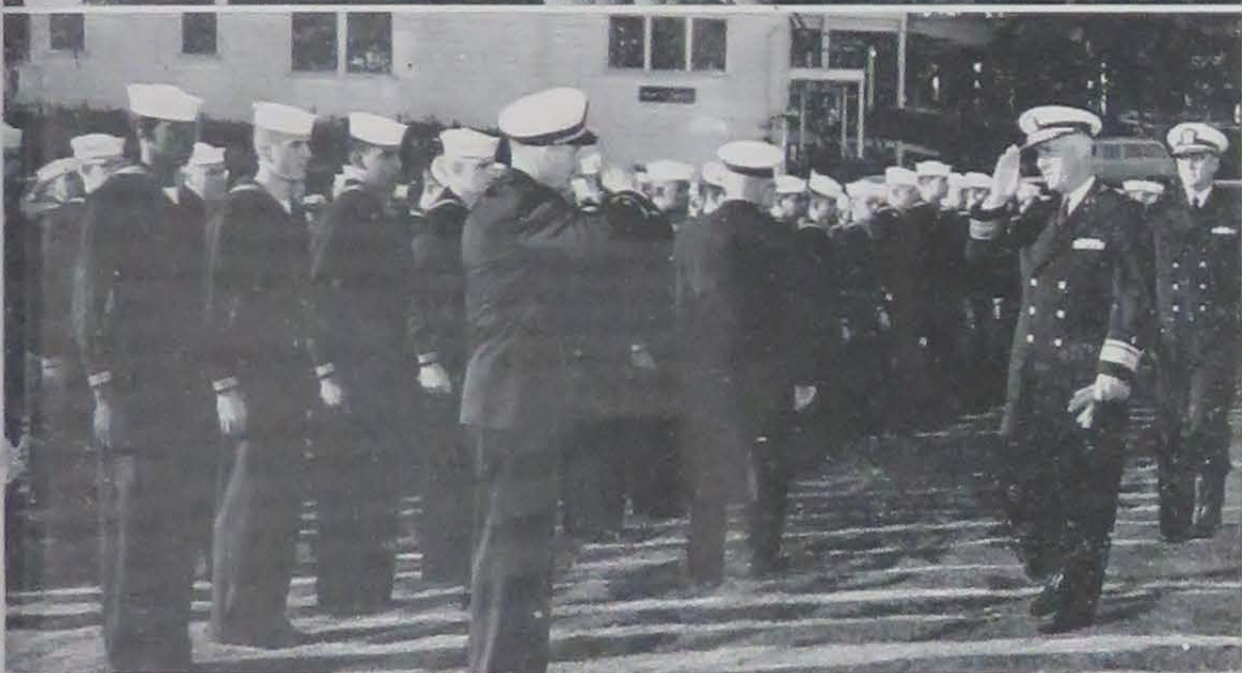
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OAK KNOLL'S Corps of Officers were the first to be inspected by Admiral Andrews during the 26 October personnel inspection. Dress

blues, shined shoes and white covers—with ribbons—made a pretty picture during the 0900 review of the troops.



COMMANDING OFFICER'S personnel inspection was held on Saturday morning, 26 October, on Gendreau Circle. All hands—doctors, nurses, MSCs, Chaplains, and the troops—donned their dress blue uniforms for the occasion. The five Enlisted and three Officer companies were presented to Admiral Andrews at 0900 by CAPT W. K. A. Lawlor, MSC, battalion commander. As snappy march music filled the air, Admiral Andrews, escorted by company commanders, reviewed the troops. The overall inspection was rated "excellent."

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KNOLL GOES OVER TOP FOR UBAC

Gift: \$6816

Goal: \$6600

See Admiral Andrews' statement on page 3.

Marines Add Another Candle Tomorrow—188th

Marines throughout the world will celebrate the 188th birthday of the Corps tomorrow, 9 November, with a holiday menu, cake cuttings, dress blues, and formal dances.

At Oak Knoll the birthday will be celebrated at 1000 in the Bldg. 38 Auditorium.

Colonel G. R. Newton, CO, TI Marine Barracks, will be in charge of the hospital program. Admiral Andrews will be guest of honor.

All Knoll Marine patients—active and retired—are invited to attend, as are corpsmen who have served with Marine Corps units.

Those present will hear the Drum and Bugle Corps of Treasure Island and enjoy a piece of the birthday cake.

Following the ceremony, Colonel Newton will deliver a piece of cake to every Marine bed patient.



NEW MASTER CHIEF — HMCS John Koethe, Assistant to the Training Officer, has been selected by BuPers for promotion to HMCM on 16 November as the result of a fleet-wide competitive exam and a review of his Naval record by an evaluation board in Washington, D.C.

Chief Koethe joined the Navy shortly after the outbreak of World War II. His first seven years in uniform were spent with the Marines—on Guadalcanal, Saipan, and in the Marshall Islands. He was on Guam when the War ended.

Chief Koethe came to Oak Knoll in August 1962 from Instructor duty in the School of Medical Administration, San Diego.

After accepting his appointment to Master Chief Hospital Corpsman, he is obligated for two more years' active duty—"but I have always intended to stay for the full '30' to complete my Navy career," the chief offered.

Before joining the Navy 22 years ago, Chief Koethe taught school in Wichita Falls and Gainesville, Texas, and in Texas State College for Women. He earned his BA from the University of Oklahoma and his Master's degree in English from Columbia.

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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

In one of Fulton Oursler's books he states, "To know God is to try to look at things as He would look at them." Whether we enjoy life greatly or find it difficult to bear depends not so much on what happens to us or around us but how we react to these happenings.

A Christian Psychologist often tells his patients "You are the sole cause of your condition—and only you can cure yourself." A woman came to him with a long list of complaints about the world around her. Instead of a prescription for tranquilizers or an extended vacation, he told this story.

A woman in a Boston hotel called the manager complaining that she was about to go out of her mind. She was seeing spots before her eyes and feeling dizzy and faint. It was all the fault of someone who had been banging on a piano in the adjoining room, and she insisted that they must tell him to stop. The manager told her he would like to help, but that he just didn't dare. The man was rehearsing for his concert that night in Symphony Hall. His name was Paderewski.

"Really?" she replied, "Oh, that's different." She immediately began calling her friends to invite them over and listen with her. Her room was soon filled with friends and the woman had miraculously recovered from her attack of nerves.

Nothing had changed, except her attitude. But her change of attitude was all important. And so it is with most of life. We can find the truth in the Biblical statement, "We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him," if our attitudes are right. We generally find what we look for. If we look for the faults of others, and the worst in each situation, we shall find them. Conversely, if we look for the good in others and the best in each situation, we shall find them.

It all depends on "THE WAY YOU LOOK AT IT!"

—LTJG ROBERT L. MAYOU
 Protestant Chaplain

Knack of Snack-Making on O' Wives Calendar

Even a rank novice will be able to make delectable pastries and dainty hors d'oeuvres after watching Al Murphy of Rhodes Bake-N-Serve demonstrate the use of his company's products. This he will do for the Officers' Wives' Club next Wednesday at the O' Club.

The luncheon meeting is scheduled for 12:15, and Mrs. A. B. Scott will take reservations until noon Monday.

Navy News Roundup

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT—The Defense Medical Supply Center, Brooklyn, N.Y., purchased 263,312,000 aspirin tablets last year. Piled one atop another, they would reach 886 miles into space. The Defense Petroleum Supply Center, Washington, D. C., purchased 787,600,000 gallons of gasoline for the military during FY 1963—or enough fuel to drive one auto 9,000,000,000 miles. Military requirements for coal in the first six months of 1963 totaled 2,764,453 tons, or 30 times the weight of the Washington Monument . . . **NEW POLARIS MISSILE LAUNCHED BY NAVY**—The Navy has successfully launched the new A-3 Polaris missile from a submerged submarine. This third generation missile has more than double the range of the first Polaris which became operational in November, 1960. Polaris A-3 has a 2,500 nautical (2,875 statute) mile range and will be operational by mid-1964 . . . **SHIP LOST IN 1944 LOCATED BY SONAR**—An old Vineyard lightship, which vanished with her crew of 11 during a hurricane in 1944, has been found by Massachusetts Institute of Technology scientists with the aid of sonar. A new type sonar developed by Dr. Harold E. Edgerton of M.I.T. found the ship in 70 feet of water 17 miles from New Bedford, Mass., in Buzzards Bay. Although her bell, weighing nearly a ton, and her compass were brought up by divers, the ultimate cause of her final loss still remains a mystery. Dr. Edgerton's "side-looking" sonar device beams pulses in a slanting direction rather than straight downward as with conventional sonar . . . **NEW SUPERINTENDENT FOR NAVAL ACADEMY**—CAPT Charles S. Minter has been named by the Secretary of the Navy to succeed RADM Charles C. Kirkpatrick as superintendent of the Naval Academy. Admiral Kirkpatrick has been appointed to succeed VADM William R. Smedberg III as Chief of Naval Personnel, for a four-year term. Admiral Smedberg is scheduled to retire . . .



MANY HAPPY RETURNS! When Mrs. Ella Rose, Red Cross Gray Lady, celebrated her 75th birthday recently, she was surrounded by well wishers, including (at left) her daughter, Mrs. Gloria Hewett. The first mother-daughter team trained together here, both have served Oak Knoll for 13 years. Among others on hand to share the birthday cake were Earle Long, MMFN; the Rev. Charles Hill, rector of nearby St. Cuthbert's Church; Robert Schultz, IC2; PVT Ray Foltz, USMC; and PFC Ronnie Losinger, USMC. Mrs. Rose gives piano lessons, plays for sing-alongs, and is a hostess at the Red Cross Lounge every Monday and Friday afternoon. Her Red Cross work began in World War I when she cheered blind patients at Evergreen Hospital, Baltimore, Md., and it was there she met her husband James, then an army sergeant serving with a medical unit.



WEDDING VOWS were exchanged last Saturday in the local Chapel at 1400 when Corpswave Toni Litwinski became the bride of HM3 Larry Shaw. Chaplain Kempson performed the ceremony. The couple met while on duty in the Knoll Laboratory.

Early Outs OK'd For Yule Season

Early separation is assured for certain personnel who become eligible for normal separation during the Christmas-New Year period.

Separation processing will begin on 1 December at Oak Knoll for Naval personnel whose normal expiration of active obligated service is from 14 December through 5 January.

Navy enlisted personnel and reserve officers are affected.

Personnel excluded from consideration for early release include aliens seeking to qualify for U.S. citizenship by completion of three years' active military service and reservists undergoing six months active duty for training under existing regulations.

The early release policy is dependent on international developments.

Organization Revamps Affect Three MSCs

The age of specialization has split the old Personnel and Records Division.

LCDR Harold E. Daniel, MSC, is now Chief, Patient Affairs Division, and his assistant, LT Hubert H.

Sowers, Jr., is henceforth to be known as the Hospital Registrar.

LT Richard E. Erwin, MSC, is Chief, Personnel Division, and will be in charge of all staff personnel functions.

CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Holy Communion (Episcopal Rite) . . . 0930

Morning Worship . . . 1030

Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses . . . 0830 1215

Daily Mass . . . 1200 in small chapel

Confessions . . . Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140

Novena . . . Tuesday after 1200 Mass

Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.

Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.



LCDR Philip R. Ragle, MSC, USN—remember him when . . . ?

Food Service Chief Was Commissioned Here 12 Years Ago

For LCDR Philip R. Ragle, Oak Knoll's new Food Service Officer, 9 November is a significant date. Exactly 23 years ago he enlisted in the Navy. Exactly 12 years ago he made the switch from rate to rank.

Many who enjoy the mess hall menu these days can say of Mr. Ragle, "We knew him when . . ." For he was serving as chief in charge of the CO's Mail Room when he received his commission as an Ensign in the Medical Service Corps—a promotion that sent him a few yards down the road to become Assistant Finance Officer.

Like Lemoore, the small San Joaquin Valley town where he graduated from high school, Mr. Ragle has grown with the Navy. His training includes Corps School, San Diego; Field Medicine School, MCB, San Diego; Medical Administrative Technician School and Naval School of Hospital Administration, NNMC, Bethesda, Md., and the School of Hotel Administration, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., where he received his BS Degree in 1960 while learning how to feed patients and staff of a large institution such as Oak Knoll.

During World War II Mr. Ragle served with the FMF on Midway, in the submarines USS FINBACK and USS HARDHEAD and at the U.S. Naval Submarine Base, New London, Conn. He was later stationed at the USNH, Corona, aboard the sub USS CAPITANE, and at U.S. Naval Station, San Diego. He was Chief of Finance in the USS HAVEN and Chief of the Supply Division at USNH, Newport, R.I.

Among his service awards is the submarine combat pin with seven stars.

Among other acquisitions of his 23 years in the service are his wife Ruby Marie, whom he met in San Diego, and sons—Roy 18 and Patrick 15.

Mike: "If I was in deep water yelling for help, what would you do?"
Ike: "Wait for low tide."

Scuttlebutt

NEARLYWEDS: LTJG Julie Foster, staff nurse on 41B, and LTJG Kingsley Graham, instructor at the Naval Nuclear Power School, Mare Island, have chosen 4 January as their wedding date—Topeka, Kansas (her home town) as their wedding place.

WHAT IS THE NAVY COMING TO DEPT.: NAS, Alameda, now has its own modern sauna bath.

PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS: Jay Ross Mason, HM2, of Medical Repair has re-enlisted for another 6 . . . LT Jan G. Klock, MC, and LT Murray H. Voth, CHC, have both transferred to USN . . . There are, believe it or not, only 38 more shopping days until Christmas! . . . LTJG Susan Lacaire, the Knoll's assistant dietitian, has joined the Aero Club at NAS, Alameda. She's still in ground school but eagerly looking forward to taking to the air . . . LCDR Daniel was so carried away with the thought that however many times LT Wilcox may be promoted, he'll still be a J. G., that he put him on the watch list as LTJG J. G. Wilcox . . . The big-leaved tree turning yellow in front of Bldg. 133 is a catalpa . . . When Nora Hampton spoke to the O' Wives Club last month she was so charmed with the building and the wives that she plans to use the club for a background and Mrs. Hamill, club president, for a model in a forthcoming Tribune fashion edition . . . Robbie Erwin, 4½-year-old son of our Personnel Officer, saw big UBAC thermometer out front and piped, "Oh Mommy (She was along) the grass is sick! They're taking its temperature." . . . Cathy Colgrove, Shiela Salisbury & Billie Erde were starring in O' Wives' bowling after three weeks of play . . . Harley Cook, vacationing in the mid-west, didn't know he was to cause such a commotion when he sent back a greeting addressed simply to "The Bakers," U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland. CAPT Baker, XO, didn't believe the card was intended for his family. Chief Baker of Staffers didn't know Harley. Finally, it dawned on the mail-room men! It was for Mr. Cook's fellow employees in the Food Service bakery. And THOSE bakers were delighted to hear from him . . . That pretty donkey who appeared in a recent LEAF to help push UBAC was photographed by neurosurgery's Dr. A. M. Warner.

LIFE BEGAN on 31 October for Teresa Mie Byrnes, 6 lb. 4 oz. daughter for HM2 Dennis Byrnes (HCQ) and wife Noriko . . . On 1 November for Dwanda Lanier Davis, 7 lb. 4 oz. daughter for LT Lewis Davis (intern) and wife Myrtle . . . Also on 1 November for Jeffrey Allen Jones, 7 lb. 2¼ oz. boy for HN Wayne Jones (EENT Clinic) and wife Bettyjane . . . On 3 November for Emil Lynn Peoples, 8 lb. 5 oz. son for HM3 Norman Peoples (Pathology) and wife Mary . . . On 6 November for Lee Walker Rhein, 6 lb. 4½ oz. daughter for CAPT Leroy Rhein, MC, USAF (ophthalmology resident) and wife Gladys . . . Also on 6 November for Sherri Lee Schlim, 7 lb. 7 oz. daughter for HN John Schlim (Women's Medical Clinic) and wife Rita.

People who insist on drinking before driving may be putting the quart before the hearse.



TWO OR THREE TEARS were shed, but smiles got the upper hand as three Oak Knoll nurses, who together had given more than 60 years service to the Navy Nurse Corps, retired on 31 October. CDR Ruth M. Cohen, Chief of the Nursing Service, was among those present when the nurses received their certificates from Admiral Andrews with his congratulations. From left, the departing staffers are LCDRs Bernice M. Smith, Florence Hoerr, and Clara Buehler. Miss Smith will continue to make her home in Oakland. Miss Buehler will join her mother in Fern Park, Fla., and Mrs. Hoerr will concentrate on being a Lafayette homemaker. Her husband is an employee of Fiberboard Paper Products in Antioch.

CO Thanks All Hands For UBAC Support

Under the leadership of CAPT W. K. Lawlor, MSC, we have come through the month-long United Crusade with flying colors and \$6816 cash. This figure is 103.03 percent of our goal of \$6600.

Eight services topped their individual goals, with Administration and Nursing Service heading the list. Administration had a record 151 percent of its dollar goal and Nursing Service 150 percent. Other departments that reached or passed their goals were Personnel—135 percent, Ophthalmology—131, Pharmacy—110, Physical Medicine—110, Preventive Medicine—105, and Fiscal and Supply—100 percent.

The above record is a source of satisfaction and pride to me, and I would like to extend my deep appreciation and "we'll done" to Captain Lawlor, his committee and keymen, and to each member of the staff, both military and civilian, who gave financial and moral support to the drive.

C. L. ANDREWS
Rear Admiral, MC, USN

New Gold for Old—Four Staffers Upped

Congratulations are in order for three staff doctors who were promoted to the rank of lieutenant commander as of 25 October. They are Bruno J. Bellinfante, NP resident; Alvin C. Rolen, Jr., OB-GYN resident; and Bill D. Stout, resident in internal medicine.

At the same time CHMEDSERWT W-2 Harold B. Rice of the EST School staff made W-3.

In a genteel and fashionable tea room in Boston, two youngish spinsters were overheard discussing a matrimonial prospect over cinnamon toast.

"I know he is rich," said the first, "but isn't he too old to be considered eligible?"

"My dear," replied her friend with a sigh, "he's too eligible to be considered old."

—Jerry King

37 Food Handlers Attend EST Class

Thirty-three military and four civilian employees of the Navy who are engaged in food handling throughout the 12ND attended a refresher training course last Tuesday in the EST school.

Students of Class #38, headed by HMC Don Hansen, erected displays and provided training aids to help make the SecNav training program a success.

HM2 L. R. Therrien was Master of Ceremonies and HMC L. E. Wallace gave the introduction.

Specialized talks were given by HM2 C. M. Foster, "Prevention of Food-Borne Illnesses;" HM1 R. O. Horst, "Micro-Biology;" HM1 G. F. Liles, "Personal Hygiene;" HM1 A. E. Shook, "Proper Preparation and Storage of Food Services;" HM2 E. T. Duranty, "Cleanliness and Sanitary Care of Utensils;" HM2 R. C. Ewing, "Good Housekeeping;" and HM1 J. J. Bush, "Rodent and Insect Control."

Others in the class helped the student instructors prepare their lessons.

23 Knollites Win Promotion to HN

Twenty-three Knollites were advanced to Hospitalman (E-3) on 1 November as a result of passing the locally administered examination in the I & E Bldg.

Sewing on new stripes were J. J. Juarceys, A. W. Baker, B. M. Norfolk, G. J. Koltas, R. P. Biedenbach, A. L. Pierce, C. G. Lamoreaux, D. L. Cox, J. H. Holt, M. R. McGeehon and B. A. Whitney.

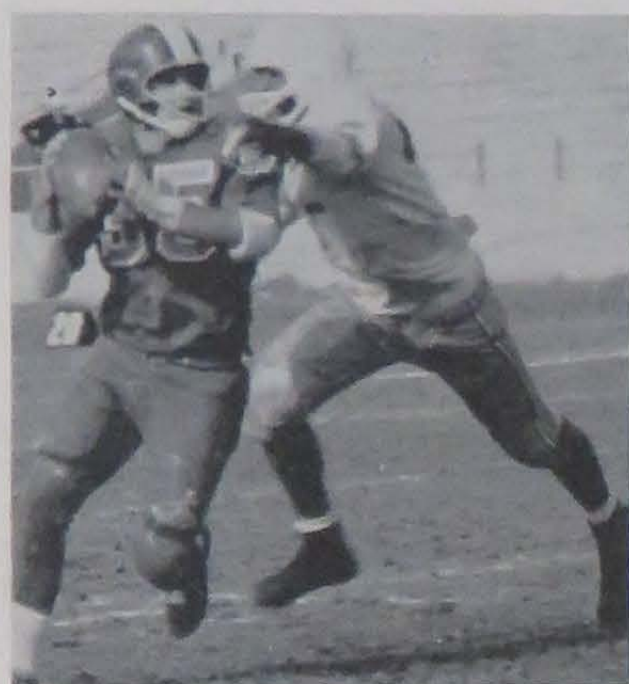
Also E. C. Christianson, J. E. Collins, D. L. Funk, L. V. Holter, W. J. Pailthorpe, R. B. Baldwin and T. K. Nettles, M. J. Rush, T. B. Housen, N. P. Doughty, D. A. O'Rourke and L. D. Smith.

The test was held on 29 October.

Since American began its half-fare leave rates for servicemen, more than 5,000 military have flown out of San Francisco to all parts of the country.



HALFBACK JOE SARTAIN (#13) easily gets a pass away during the recent clash when Oak Knoll met the Pirates for the first time this season. Sartain was dumped a split-second after making the pass. The next game will be with Concord on 14 November at Oak Knoll.



BACKFIELDER John P. Porter of the "Big Green" fades back and away from a TI Pirate in an effort to get off a pass to a Hilltopper downfield. Porter got the pass off, but was quickly downed by the invading defense. Oak Knoll edged TI yesterday—31-27.

Holiday Routine Will Be Observed

Holiday routine will be observed at Oak Knoll on Veterans' Day, Monday, 11 November, for Knoll military and civilians not required to maintain staff assignments.

Patients will be granted liberty from 1600 Friday until 0730 on Tuesday at the discretion of ward medical officers.

Enlisted staffers having the duty on 11 November will relieve the watch at 0800. Officers, except nurses, will relieve the watch at 1000. Liberty for Nursing Service personnel will be granted in accordance with the Nursing Service schedule. The usual weekend duty and liberty routine will be in effect on Saturday, 9 November and Sunday, 10 November.

Civilians, unless required on board, will observe the national holiday next Monday.

Hail & Farewell To All Reporting Aboard, Detached

The month of October brought many changes in the Oak Knoll staff.

Officers reporting for duty were:
LCDR Bill C. Terry, DC, USNR, from USS ENTERPRISE.

LT Murray H. Voth, CHC, USNR, from 1st Bn, 3rd Marine Division, Okinawa.

CDR Alene E. Morin, NC, USN, from NROTC Unit, University of Minnesota.

LCDR Luana Shepherd, NC, USN, from MarCorps Supply Center, Barstow, Calif.

LCDR Catherine M. McHenry, NC, USN, from USNH, Yokosuka, Japan.

LCDR Ruth M. Hutchinson, NC, USN, from U. S. Naval Dispensary, San Francisco.

ENS Barbara A. Hyslop, Carolyn M. Webb, and Mary K. Cunningham, all NC, USNR, from Naval Schools Command, U. S. Naval Base, Newport, R. I.

Officers detached:

LCDR Dale L. Larson, MC, USN, to USS RANGER (CVA-61).

LT Robert L. Keys, CHC, USNR, to COMDESDIV NINETY-TWO

LCDR Eunice A. Fischer, NC, USN, to USNH, Great Lakes, Ill.

LCDR Joyce J. Fredrickson, NC, USNR, to Camp Lejeune, N. C.

LTJGs Nancy J. Pierce and Judith A. Wing, both NC, USNR, were released to inactive duty.

EMs Arriving were:

HM1s John H. Mullen from NAS, Miramar, Calif., and Charles R. Moore from USS OAK HILL, LSD 7.

HM2 Phyllis J. McClode, USN-MedSchool, Bethesda, Md.

HM3 John F. Devlin, USNH, San Diego.

MM3 Richard D. Seavey, USS MARKAB. (AR-23)

HNs Amos Tingle, Mark C. Story, James Mattern, Philip D. Pajerdki, James L. Maxwell, Galen Onizuka, Gary D. Paulson, all from HCS, San Diego; and Jaqueline G. Stapleman, USNH, Great Lakes, Ill.

HAs Jimmy R. Rogers, Murray E. Hutchings, Roger J. Pendlay, and Clifford J. Lanterman from HCS, San Diego, and Dolores E. Kuehne and Gerald E. Frantz from USNH, Great Lakes.

EMs Detached:

HM1s Ediberto C. Molina to Fleet Activities, Sasebo, Japan, and Donald V. Mattson to Reserve Training Center, San Mateo.

DK2 Eduard F. Magpayo to USS RANGER.

HM3s Robert J. Pearce to Naval Shipyard, San Francisco, Michael G. Moran to GEN. J. C. BRECKENRIDGE, Jerry G. Firestone to MCB-8.

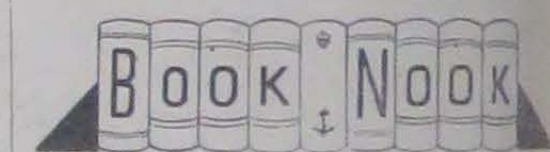
HNs Clinton C. Walker to USS ESTES, Timothy C. Pierce to Weapon Station, Concord, Clifford J. Salter and Albert L. Bolshazy both to Treasure Island, and Larry L. Pitts to USNH Key West, Fla.



HM1 Ediberto C. Molina of the Lab was transferred to Sasebo, Japan, last week. Before he was officially detached, CAPT D. B. Rulon, Chief of Pathology, presented him with a letter of appreciation which read, in part: "While attached to the Laboratory... you have been assigned to several departments and have performed your duties in an outstanding fashion. Most recently, while in charge of the urinalysis laboratory, you brought to your work a degree of industry, meticulousness, and accuracy seldom exceeded anywhere."

"Further, your exemplary military conduct and leadership have greatly aided in the creation of good morale in the laboratory and have won for you the highest respect of the physicians and technicians working with you."

"Therefore, I wish to express to you my deepest appreciation of your unselfish and unflagging efforts."



Recent surveys of naval personnel, particularly among Navy and Marine Officers, show that during the past few years they have developed a wider and more purposeful range of reading interests. In order to encourage this trend, and to assist them in choosing reading materials, a reading program for officers was recently established by the Office of the Secretary of the Navy. An advisory committee of five military and civilian personnel will select material it feels to be of special significance, and issue annotated reading lists to be published quarterly.

All the books on these lists will be available in the Crew's Library (or in the event we do not have them they may be borrowed from other naval libraries in the area). The most recent list includes such a wide range of subjects as TUCHMAN: THE GUNS OF AUGUST; HOOVER: A STUDY OF COMMUNISM; COUSTEAU: THE LIVING SEA; THOMPSON: THE INSPIRATION OF SCIENCE; MORRISON: THE TWO OCEAN WAR; WEAVER: LADY LUCK; HEILBRONER: PRIMER OF GOVERNMENT SPENDING; BASSETT: HARM'S WAY. A display of the books included on the list is currently being shown in the Crew's Library.

Common Courtesy DOES Help to Prevent Highway Accidents, Death

LT R. B. Tatum, Chief, Security Division, brought the following poem back from the Governor's Traffic Safety Conference, which he attended early this month in Sacramento. It was used as an introduction to a talk titled "The Immorality of Traffic Accidents," which was given by COL James C. Griffin, Wing Chaplain, McClellan Air Force Base.

"IF"

If everyone who drives a car could lie a month in bed,
With broken bones and stitched-up wounds, or fractures of the head,
And there endure the agonies that many people do;
They'd never need preach safety any more to me or you.

If everyone could see a shattered relative or friend,
And hear the doctor say "no hope" before that fatal end,
And see him there unconscious, unaware of time or place,
The laws and rules of traffic I am sure we'd soon embrace.

If everyone could meet the wife and children left behind
And step into the darkened home where once the sunlight shined,
And look upon the vacant chair where Daddy used to sit,
Sure each reckless driver would be forced to think a bit.

If everyone would realize that pedestrians on the street
Have just as much the right-of-way as those upon the seat,
And train their eyes for children who run recklessly at play,
This steady toll of human lives would drop from day to day.

If everyone who drives a car would heed the danger signs
Put up by engineers who also marked the lines
To keep the traffic in the lane and give it proper space,
The accidents we read about could not have taken place.

If he who takes the wheel would say a little prayer,
And keep in mind those in the car dependent on his care,
And make a vow and pledge himself to never take a chance,
The great crusade for safety then would suddenly advance.



Arthur Ames selects slides to show how the Christmas Committee brightens the holidays for hospitalized servicemen and veterans — as Admiral and Mrs. Andrews and Miss Mary Valle look on.

Veteran Hospital Group Plans Yule Entertainment, Decorations, Gifts

A group of prominent East Bay citizens who have played Santa Claus to Oak Knoll since its first Christmas in 1942 were dinner guests at the Officers' Club the evening of 4 November, with Admiral Andrews acting as host.

They were members of the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee, an organization that will this year celebrate its 39th Christmas by making the holiday a happy one for servicemen and veterans who can't spend it at home with their families. This will be the 21st Christmas the group has served Oak Knoll.

The committee was organized in 1924 and that year collected \$2700 to decorate the VA hospital in Livermore, buy gifts for its patients, and bring professional entertainment along with Santa Claus on Christmas Day. During World War II the committee served as many as six different hospitals, but this year their efforts will be devoted to Oak Knoll and the original beneficiary—the Livermore VA Hospital—the only two remaining in Alameda County.

During its nearly four decades of service, the committee, with the support of THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE, has received more than \$600,000 from organizations and individuals who wanted to help make Christmas as happy as possible for servicemen and veterans away from home.

Coordinator for this year's Christmas celebration at Oak Knoll is Millard A. Golie. Assisting him will be Roort W. Hinders, Angelo A. Micco, and James F. Wiggins.

The party was Admiral Andrews'

first opportunity to meet the group. Presiding at the head table, he welcomed the visitors and turned the meeting over to Arthur Ames, who is serving his second term as president of the committee. Sharing places of honor at the head table were Mrs. Ames, Mrs. Andrews, Miss Mary Valle (all-time secretary-treasurer of the organization), CAPT and Mrs. William S. Baker, Jr., and LT Gordon S. McComb, Chief of the Special Services Division.

In addition to introducing all committee members and their wives (or husbands) Mr. Ames read a telegram from Former U.S. Senator W. F. Knowland, assistant publisher of the TRIBUNE, expressing his regret that neither he nor his father, Joseph R. Knowland, publisher, was able to be present.

Among the approximately 60 attending were four past presidents of the organization — H. Burford Fisher, Arthur L. Daniels, Hart Eastman, and William J. Stephens.

Arrangements for the dinner were made by LTJG Jack Smith, Officers' Club Treasurer.

Register Now for Santa Cruz Housing

Enlisted personnel, E-4s with over four years' service and senior petty officers, who desire to have their names placed on the waiting list for one and two bedroom units in the Santa Cruz Island Village (Navy housing) should contact the Knoll Housing Officer in Bldg. 7.

'Night Club' Dance, Show, Set For 29 November for Staff EMs

The Enlisted Recreation Committee has planned a "Night Club" dance for staff personnel on Friday, 29 November, beginning at 2100 in the Bldg. 38 Auditorium.

The program will include dancing to the music of the Jimmy Diamond orchestra until 2200 when the floor show will begin.

Billy Grant, popular Bay Area comic, will MC the program and

introduce Donna Kaye's acrobatic dancing act and the Kenny Burt family singing popular hootenanny selections.

Dancing will resume at 2345 and continue until 0100.

Free refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

Dress for the Night Club dance is semiformal.

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NEW CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS—HMCA Floyd A. Gracie receives his certificate of appointment and a congratulatory handshake from CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., Knoll XO, while Wilbert S. Jones, Jr., also upped on 16 November, stands by. LTJG J. W. Smith, I&E Officer, looks on. The new CPOs are Medical Repair technicians. Gracie has completed 16 years' service while Jones has been a Navyman for 9½ years.

DOD Revises ProPay Plan

The Department of Defense has announced two revisions to its new pro-pay program that are of major interest to personnel who were receiving pro-pay prior to 1 October as well as those personnel qualified to receive pro-pay under the new program.

First the monthly rate of pay for pro-pay (superior performance) is being raised from \$25 to \$30 a month, effective 1 October.

Of greater impact is the second revision. This provides that personnel who were receiving pro-pay on 30 September, based on Navy Job Code (NJC) evaluation conducted in August and November 1962 and February 1963 and whose pro-pay would have been reduced or discontinued under the new program, will continue to receive pro-pay at the old rates until the anniversary date of their last qualification, but in no event later than 30 June 1964.

Individuals who had expected to draw pro-pay for an entire award cycle, as provided for in the former program, will not be paid for the entire period.

Nimrod Patients Invited Upstate For Annual Hunt

Twenty-five orthopedic patients have been invited to take part in the eleventh annual "Amputee Pheasant Hunt," sponsored jointly by the Knights Landing Sportsmen's Club and the Robbins Lions Club.

The group will depart Oak Knoll 2 December at 1200 for the 80-mile trip to Woodland where the up-state sportsmen will provide shotguns, ammunition, dogs, hunting licenses and pheasant tags, lodging and food, and an evening's entertainment.

About 90 ringneck pheasants were brought back to Oak Knoll last year by the successful patients.

When the patients arrive at the Sportsmen's Club, they will be greeted by the members and treated to broiled steaks and refreshments. The entertainment will begin at about 2000.

They will bed down in the club's
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+ + CHAPLAIN'S CORNER + +

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

HARPER'S BIBLE DICTIONARY defines **FELLOWSHIP** as . . . "translation of Greek *koinonia*, meaning a communion of persons on equal terms or a 'sharing' of experience and of possessions." The THORNDIKE BARNHART DICTIONARY defines **COMMUNION** as 1. act of sharing; a having in common; 2. exchange of thoughts and feelings; intimate talk; fellowship, 3. close spiritual relationship, 4. group of people having the same religious beliefs.

A **CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP** is therefore a group of people, of the Christian Faith, who gather together to exchange thoughts and feelings, or to share in a common venture. We normally do this in our various Churches. Most Churches have their Men's Club, their Women's Society, and their Youth Fellowship. Through these and the Church as a whole we find this Christian Fellowship.

Each of us needs the kind of Christian Fellowship that we find in our various local churches. It would seem to me that those of us in the Military who are constantly on the go stand in greater need of this fellowship than would those whose lives are less mobile. Here at the Hospital we occasionally have a young mother come in asking if there is any provision made for caring for her young child while she is here delivering her second child. She has no relatives close by, and no friends that she knows well enough to ask to take care of her child. Had she been active in some local church, I believe she would not have this problem. For the Christian Fellowship is such that within a very short time we find that in sharing in worship, in study, and in the other phases of the Fellowship that we so relate to others that many of the Fellowship would be asking if they could care for the child while she is in the Hospital. Not that we participate in the Church in order to receive such favors, but the fellowship is just that kind of relationship. We find that we enjoy the fellowship of those with whom we worship, study, and play.

As Chaplains, we invite you to relate to the local church of your choice. For those who do not have such a local church relationship, we strive to offer a full program of Christian Fellowship through the Chapel Program here at the Hospital. In addition to the regular Protestant and Catholic Worship Services listed elsewhere on this page, two new phases have been recently added to our Chapel Program. They are the Sunday 0930 Holy Communion (Episcopal Rite), and the Christian Fellowship Hour at 1800. We welcome your participation in these and the other phases of your Chapel Program.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Last Sunday night five young people enjoyed the first of our Christian Fellowship Hours. They were Dixie Glenn, Joyce Hughes, Mary Elizabeth Lankford, Nona Scott and Larry Woodcock. It was decided that further meetings would begin at 1800 on Sunday Evenings, and that the Fellowship would last one hour. Dixie, Joyce and Mary Elizabeth are planning the recreation for this Sunday evening. A film entitled **Windows of the Soul** will also be a part of the evening's activities. Staff, patients, and dependents are invited to join in this evening of Christian Fellowship each Sunday in the Fellowship Room of Building 133.

—CHAPLAIN ROBERT L. MAYOU

CHAPEL

Protestant Services

Sunday: Holy Communion (Episcopal Rite) 0930
 Morning Worship 1030
 Christian Fellowship Hour (Bldg. 133) 1800
 Holy Communion on first Sunday of each month

Catholic Services

Sunday Masses 0830 1215
 Daily Mass 1200 in small chapel
 Confessions Sundays 0730 to 0820. Weekdays 1115 to 1140
 Novena Tuesday after 1200 Mass
 Nursery is available during all Services in Bldg. 133.

CHAPLAINS

Chaplains' Offices are located in the Chapel and Bldg. 67A.
 Protestant chaplains' phone extensions are 239 and 240. Catholic chaplains' phone extensions are 238 and 241.

ARC Receives Two Gifts for Patients' Use

Thanks to the San Leandro Air Force Reserves and Miss Alice Sanford of Berkeley, two donations have been made to the Red Cross for patients' recreation at Oak Knoll.

When the Reserves had accumulated an excess of money in their coffee mess, they decided to purchase a typewriter and donate it to this Naval hospital.

Miss Sanford, whose brother served during WWII on a submarine chaser, wanted to donate a floor model stereo phonograph. She told her friend, a volunteer Red Cross motor service driver, of her intention and he passed the word along.

Patients may check out the typewriter from the ARC Recreation Office, Bldg. 38, or enjoy the stereo in the Red Cross lounge.

Military Benefit Up 31%; Refunds 50% of Premiums

A 31 per cent membership increase has been announced by the Military Benefit Association, pioneer insurance organization established solely for enlisted members of the armed forces.

Major benefit for servicemen is the low cost group life insurance plan which provides as much as \$20,000 coverage for death from any cause anywhere in the world.

All enlisted personnel, male and female, except six-month trainees, are eligible to join the association and can receive its annual report, applications and booklets by writing to MBA, Warner Bldg., Washington, D.C.

A record 50 per cent refund to all members has been declared, with a \$54 dividend being readied for mailing in early December.

Computer Checks Heart Diagnosis By Telephone

The first successful long-distance computer diagnosis of heart disease has been achieved by the Veterans Administration.

Electrocardiograms, transferred from an analog to a digital form, have been transmitted directly by telephone from the VA Hospital in West Roxbury, Mass., to digital communications equipment and transferred for processing to an electronic data computer leased part time by VA from the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D.C.

After a 6-second calculation, the diagnosis is flashed back to the West Roxbury Hospital by voice over a regular long-distance telephone circuit.

The entire instant diagnosis, including recording from the patient, takes less than 10 minutes. This can be done from any point accessible by telephone.

Numerous electrocardiographic diagnoses already have been made by the computer in Washington for heart patients in VA hospitals in the Boston and New England areas.

The operation was devised by Dr. Hubert V. Pipberger, Chief of the VA Eastern Research Support Center at the agency's hospital in Washington, D.C., and Alan Berson, Electronics Engineer in charge of Instrumentation and Data Processing at the Center. Dr. Pipberger also is assistant professor of medicine at Georgetown University Medical School.

Quote of the Week

" . . . You cannot learn what it is to use a shovel unless you use a shovel."—Nobel Prize-winning author John Steinbeck.

Doctor: "The check you gave me came back."

Patient: "So did my arthritis."

Navy News Roundup

WARRANTS ON WAY BACK—The warrant officer is on his way back in the Navy. The Settle Board, which started its review of the LDO, WO and the top enlisted ranks in September, decided that the Navy needs to start rebuilding its warrant corps—now down to about 2000—"in view of the evermounting sophistication of ships, aircraft and weaponry." The warrants are needed, said the board's report, "for close supervision over machinery and weapons and the enlisted personnel maintaining and operating them." From 1 July 1965 through 30 June 1968, E-6s through E-9s with 6 to 20 years' service will be eligible for warrant appointments, if they are 23 to 39 years old. . . . **\$250-MILLION PAY RAISE BILL EYED FOR NEXT YEAR**—Defense officials are considering offering to Congress a \$250-million military pay raise bill which would bring basic pay hikes to 2.5 million service men next October. The raises proposed are estimated to range between three and five per cent over the present rates. . . . **PUBLIC LAW 88-77** authorizes award of the Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, the Navy Cross, the Air Force Cross and the Silver Star for acts of heroism and gallantry that occur in cold war situations. . . . **ZIPPERED BLUE TROUSERS DUE FOR RECRUITS**—Navy recruits will soon be supplied with two pairs of zipper-front blue trousers and only one of the more popular 13-button type when they draw their first uniforms. The action is being taken, Navy officials say, to reduce a huge stockpile of the zippered pants which has accumulated simply because not enough sailors are buying this type through clothing and small stores. Practically everyone, it seems, prefers the broadfall type. Officials say the on-hand stock of the zipper-type blues is worth more than \$4 million. . . . **SUMMER MD SHORTAGE**—The Armed Forces always suffer serious doctor shortages in summer months because one group of doctors completing their 2-year tours leave active duty while replacements of newly commissioned physicians complete orientation training and report to new duty stations in early fall. . . .

Why "NO SMOKING" Rules

By RAY MERRILL, Chief Inspector
Fire Prevention Branch

Several years ago the National Bureau of Standards made a painstaking study of the fire-starting propensities of American cigarettes and their well-known tendency to continue burning. We insist upon a cigarette that will remain lighted; so our manufacturers have resorted to giving the paper a special treatment with an inorganic filler to make it burn evenly, rapidly, and continuously. The result is that a cigarette will usually consume itself after being discarded.

Two thirds of the butts we throw away are from 1 to 1½-inches long; the shorter of these will burn for at least 10 minutes. The Bureau of Standards tests showed that 91 per cent of the butts discarded on combustible material ignited.

The California State Health and Safety Code which cries for application, reads in part:

"Every person is guilty of a misdemeanor who throws or places any lighted cigarette, cigar ashes, or other flammable or glowing substance or thing which may cause a fire in a place where it may directly or indirectly start a fire . . ."

A Municipal Court Judge stated, "Violators, as adults, know the difference between right and wrong, and they do not have the right to jeopardize the lives and safety of other people."

Hotel fires in recent years which have taken hundreds of lives were definitely due to foolish disposal of lighted cigarettes. Between these front-page catastrophes runs the relentless tide of everyday fires and deaths directly traceable to stupidity with smoking materials.

ALL smokers are not nitwits but there are a lot of nitwits smoking. Let us not have callous contempt of NO SMOKING rules.

Thanksgiving Menu

LCDR Philip R. Ragle, Food Service Officer, and his staff have planned an excellent, mouth-watering traditional Thanksgiving feast for next Thursday, 28 November, for all Knollites—staff and patients.

Heading the menu is roast broad breast turkey with giblet dressing, gravy and cranberry sauce. Cream of turkey soup, molded jello salad, tossed green salad and bleu cheese dressing. Also, steamship round of beef or baked Virginia ham with orange sauce. Snowdrift potatoes, candied sweet potatoes, green beans amandine, corn O'Brien, parker-house rolls with butter, pumpkin pie, mince pie or fruit cake. The salad bar will contain ripe and green olives, pickles, stuffed celery, assorted fresh fruit, mixed candy and mixed nuts. Cigars and cigarettes will be offered to all hands—compliments of Special Services.

In accordance with Navy tradition, staff members may bring their families on this occasion.



VISITING CHAPLAINS—During a recent familiarization tour of 12ND installations, RADM James Kelly, Director of the Navy's Chaplain Corps, (2nd from the right) toured Oak Knoll and visited with Admiral Andrews. Others present for this photo were (from the left) CAPT Robert Schwyhart, 12ND Senior Chaplain; CAPT William P. Lane, Knoll Senior Chaplain; ADM Andrews, ADM Kelly, and CDR Joseph Kelly, Bureau Training Officer, who accompanied the Director on the tour.

Twenty Years Ago BuMed Changed In The OAK LEAF EST to PMT On 1 November

Due to a breakdown in the mimeograph machine we were unable to publish the OAK LEAF last week. We are now able to get out a few hundred copies this week for distribution amongst the personnel. We regret that a little of the material in this issue is late news, but the next issue will be on time and contain a more varied substance.

The library has moved into its new quarters in Building 39. This is a central location and you will find it more convenient. The building itself is very attractive, with faintly green walls and semi-indirect lighting. Among the new books: *Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo* by CAPT Ted W. Lawson; "Prefaces to Peace," which includes "One World" by Wendell Wilkie; "Price of Free World Victory" by Wallace and "Blueprint for Peace" by Welles.

Although this paper is small it can nevertheless contain many articles of big importance. So come on children get Hep! Send all your material to Editor, Box 238 (new Ad Bldg.), or leave in our office in the old Ad Bldg.

I'll travel a lot in the Navy
But no matter where I roam—
One thing I'll try to do
Is beat my dog tag home.

Coming Events: November 12—Waves Open House, Waves Barracks; November 13—Navy Mothers Bingo Party in the Clubhouse; Nov. 20—USO Show featuring The Great Lester, who saws in half his beautiful partner Deane.

Captain Hook presented diplomas to 38 Gray Ladies who have completed their training. This is the second "capping" on the compound.

Welcome to the new corpsmen from Farragut. Don't worry boys, outside detail won't last forever.

At the Movies: SALUTE TO MARINES with Wallace Beery; GIRL CRAZY with Mickey Rooney and Judy Garland.

Share your copy of the OAK LEAF with your fellow mates.

EST School—alma mater for 887 Environmental Sanitation Technicians — has changed its name. It will henceforth be known as the Preventive Medicine Technician Course.

The revised title came straight from BuMed, with the explanation that "it is considered essential to better portray the capabilities and functions of trained personnel and assist in obtaining maximum utilization through appropriate designation."

The name change was effected on 1 November, the thirteenth anniversary of the school, and the 24 students who graduate on 29 November will be the Navy's first Preventive Medicine Technicians.

Dr. Robert C. Cooper of the U.C. School of Public Health faculty will speak at the graduation ceremonies, which will take place in the Dental Clinic auditorium at 1300. A reception will follow in the Preventive Medicine Technician Course building. All hands are invited.

Pheasant Hunt

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indoor rifle and pistol range.

Before taking to the fields the next morning, the hunters will be treated to a ham and egg breakfast.

To supplement the anticipated heavy shooting during the day, the sponsoring clubs will "plant" many pheasants in the fields for the Knoll shotgunners.

Those amputee patients who are unable to walk through the rice fields will shoot from open jeeps.

A fellow in a saloon always closed his eyes while ordering a glass of whiskey. To the bartender, he explained: "Soon as I see the whiskey, my mouth waters and I don't want to dilute it."

Fire Chief Sez

The penalty for discarding any litter, or any flaming or glowing substance (cigarettes) on a highway outside of a business or residence district has been increased from a maximum of \$50 or five days in jail to a maximum of \$500 and/or six months in jail.



Mrs. Lenora Venters of Food Service was presented a 20-year pin and letter of appreciation last week by Admiral Andrews during the November civilian supervisors' meeting. She has been a Knollite since 11 February, 1946.

Also receiving a 20-year lapel emblem and letter of appreciation from Admiral Andrews was Charles Peralta, Maintenance, whose entire service has been with this Hospital since 1 June 1943.

My friend laughed when I spoke to the waiter in French, but the laugh was on him. I told the waiter to give him the check.

Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are often the ones who dropped it.



BOWLING NEWS



By Bill Conner

Oak Knoll's bowling team moved into first place in the 12th Naval District Travelling league last week by defeating Naval Supply Center all three games.

Ron Evans led the Knoll five with high game of 204 and high series of 604. The hospital team meets Skaggs Island—a big threat in the 12ND league — on the 28th on the local lanes.

In the Military and Civilian handicap league the "Poopouts" remain in first place after downing the "Radiators" four games last week. The "Poopouts" season record is 23 wins and 9 losses, with the "Pharmakons" and "Silver Dollars" tied for second place with 19 wins and 13 losses.

Dave Puhr of the "Pharmakons" tallied high game last week with a 211 and high series of 515 with Paul Schultz (Silver Dollars) second with a 181 high game and a 505 series.

A big upset in the Mixed Five Military and Civilian Handicap league took place when the "Pinheads" moved into first place after whipping the first-place team, the "Hotsies," by four games. Dave Puhr led the "Pinheads" with a 185 high game while Chuck Hanna copped high series with a 495. The "Pinheads" now lead the league with a 25-win, 7-loss record.

A big threat in this league is the third-place "Strikes" with a 17½-win, 14½-loss tally. LCDR Ragle, captain of the "Strikes," bowled the second highest game of the league with a 214. John Shouse of the "Hotsies" leads the league with a high game of 224 and high series of 578.

Jean Entile of the "Strikes" leads the women bowlers with a high handicap game of 235 and a high scratch game of 185. Ruth Higuera, also of the "Strikes," leads with a high handicap series of 577 and high scratch series of 472.

Tickets Ready For Children's Christmas Show

Special Services announces that the tickets for the Staff Children's Christmas Party are now ready for pick up. Children who do not have tickets for the 23 December party unfortunately will not receive gifts. They are, however, invited to the Bldg. 38 Auditorium at 1230 to enjoy the entertainment on stage and an hour of cartoons.

Santa is expected to be on stage at 1400 to greet each staff child and present gifts and candy.

For children who are confined to the Pediatrics ward over the Christmas holidays, another Santa will make the rounds offering gifts and season's greetings.

Special Services Has "No Strings" Tickets

A limited number of tickets are available in the Special Services Office for the stage play "No Strings" in the Curran Theatre, San Francisco, for 20 and 30 November.

The play features Howard Keel and Barbara McNair.

Tickets are available for Knollites and their wives or one dependent. Call 595 if interested.

Sports Quiz

(AFPS Weekly Feature)

1. What American college football team was the first to have a nickname?
2. In the entire history of major American college football has there ever been a head coach who was not a college graduate?
3. In what year were the goal posts in college football moved 10 yards behind the goal line?
4. What two countries will meet in the finals of this year's Davis Cup Challenge Round?
5. One of the famed intersectional rivalries in college football is the Notre Dame-Navy game. The series started in 1933 when Navy trimmed Notre Dame, 7-0. What "Hall of Fame" halfback scored the game's only touchdown?
6. In the history of boxing, have the same two men ever participated in three consecutive championship fights?

(Answers to Quiz)

1. Princeton began calling its team "Tigers" in the 1880s.
2. Yes, Babe Hollingberry who coached Washington State from 1926 to 1944.
3. 1927.
4. United States and Australia.
5. Buzz Borries.
6. Yes, Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson, 1959-61.

If you think those old-time Western gunslingers were quick on the draw, just open a joint savings account with your wife.

Marriage is an institution that teaches a man regularity, frugality, temperance, forbearance and many other splendid virtues he wouldn't need if he stayed single.

Decorating tip: To make a small room look larger, use thinner wallpaper.



CAKE AND COFFEE for Knoll Marine patients in the Auditorium helped celebrate the 188th Anniversary of their Corps on 9 November. Colonel G. R. Newton, CO, TI Marine Barracks, Admiral Andrews, and the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps took part in the ceremony. Receiving refreshments are (clockwise from left) LCPL Benjamin Butler, LCPL Frank E. Kenzy, PVT Chester R. Chandler, LCPL Michael L. Miller, PFC Michael R. Conkel and LCPL Rudolph A. Lewis. Arlene Hill and Sheila Kennedy, ARC, served.

Movie Schedule

All movies begin at 1900, Auditorium, Bldg. 38.

Tonight, 22 November
LILIES OF THE FIELD—Sidney Poin-
tier, Lilia Skala.

Saturday, 23 November
JULIE—Doris Day, Louis Jourdan.

Sunday, 24 November
MOUSE ON THE MOON — Margaret
Rutherford, Terry Thomas.

Monday, 25 November
RAWHIDE YEARS — Tony Curtis, Joan
Miller.

Tuesday, 26 November
PT-109—Cliff Robertson, Ty Hardin.

Wednesday, 27 November
TO HELL AND BACK—Audie Murphy,
Marshall Thompson.

Thursday, 28 November
LOVER COME BACK — Rock Hudson,
Doris Day.

Friday, 29 November
JOHNNY COOL—Elizabeth Montgomery,
Henry Silva.

Saturday, 30 November
THE SE'GEANT WAS A LADY—Venita
Stevenson, Martin West.

About automation: "Man is far from being a machine yet; he seldom is quiet when he is well oiled."

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Call Is Out for Hoop, Net, 12ND Players

Knoll athletic director Ken Moffett is looking for any staffer who would like to play on the Hilltoppers' basketball or volleyball teams. He's also looking for candidates for the 12ND wrestling team.

If you have had any experience in these sports—high school, college, or in the service — Ken is looking for you.

You can reach him by phone, Ext. 595, or in the Special Services Office.

The ability to sin differs among people, says one of our friends. "For example, a short-armed fisherman isn't as big a liar as a long-armed one."



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SENIOR CHIEF—HMCS William E. Cox of PMT School was upped to E-8 last Monday and presented his certificate of appointment by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., Knoll XO. A Navyman since April 1946, Chief Cox spent his first two years on sea duty before being ordered to Corps School in San Diego. He has been stationed at Oak Knoll since December 1959 when he reported aboard from the USS VALLEY FORGE to attend EST School. He was retained on board as an instructor following graduation. The native of Albany, New York, will be transferred on 26 December to the aircraft carrier USS RANGER, homeported at NAS Alameda.

Top-Flight Bowler To Visit 14 December

Jerome Whitey Harris, one of the country's top flight bowlers, will visit the local bowling center Saturday afternoon, 14 December. All hands are invited to watch him demonstrate the skill that earned him a national reputation and captaincy of the famous Budweiser bowling team.

Mr. Harris' appearance is being arranged by Special Services.

Gift Wrap Service

Gift-wrapping service to patients and single male staff members will be available daily (except Sunday) until Christmas. Hours—1000 to 1600.

This service is in Room 232, second deck, Bldg 38. Special Services is providing the materials. Officers' Wives and Red Cross Gray Ladies are doing the wrapping.



16 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

Many Events On Knoll's Christmas Season Calendar

In respect for our deceased President and Commander-in-Chief, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, all staff social activities have been curtailed. However, every effort will be made to make Christmas a happy holiday for the sick and injured who are unable to go home to their families.

On the calendar are the following activities:

14 and 15 December—The Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee will decorate wards, departments, and main gate and place outside the chapel a nativity scene to remind all of the true meaning of Christmas.

16 and 17 December—Hollywood artists will be here to sketch patients.

19 December at 1930—Professional entertainment in the auditorium brought to all hands by the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee.

23 December—Special Services party for staff children. Auditorium doors open at 1230. Fathers who signed up for their children are urged to pick up tickets immediately. Each child must have a ticket in order to receive his gift from Santa.

24 December at 2000—Christmas Cantata in the Chapel for Protestant personnel; 2400—Midnight Mass; 1900 to 2100 Red Cross Christmas Eve parties on all wards.

25 December at 1030—Protestant Communion Service in the Chapel; 0830 and 1215—Mass; throughout the morning—Professional entertainment and visits from Christmas Committee Santas; 1100 to 1300—Christmas dinner. Festive tray covers, souvenir menus, napkins, cigars and cigarettes provided by Special Services.

O' Wives' Cake Sale Set for 16 December

Cakes, cupcakes, cookies, and pies will be on sale in the Community Services Building Lobby on Monday, 16 December, with all proceeds going into the Officers' Wives' Club Scholarship fund.

The sale will start early and continue until the last crumb has been sold, according to word from Mrs. J. Kenneth Hall, chairman, and Mrs. John N. Brandt, co-chairman.



IN MEMORIAM

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

29 May 1917—22 November 1963

Jeannie Wilson's "Operation Art" Will Sketch Patients 16-17 December

Coming 16 and 17 December—Jeannie Wilson and her 1963 edition of "Operation Art for the Armed Forces!"

Mrs. Wilson, an artist herself, started the unique program with Red Cross in 1943 and from its early stages until the end of World War II, it was a three-day, two-night-a-week operation at a Santa Monica Air Force installation.

Early in the Korean War, at the request of the CO of Travis Air Force Base, she organized groups of artists to fly north every few weeks to sketch patients arriving by air evac from the battle zones.

In a letter received here this week Jeannie recalled that her first trip to the Bay Area was set for 3 April 1951 but fell through because

of plane failure—"a little disconcerting with seventeen willing artists assembled at the airport 'battle ready'."

Whether this year's trip to Oak Knoll will be her fifteenth or sixteenth, not even Jeannie knows for sure.

During their two-day stay here members of the group—cartoonists and background men from Hollywood movie studios, magazine illustrators and fine artists—some newcomers, some 'old faithfuls'—will sketch and paint their way through the wards with patients serving as their models.

As in the past, arrangements for the artists' visit will be made by Special Services, with the aid of Red Cross Gray Ladies, who will guide the artists to the wards.

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THE FAITH OF HONEST DOUBT

Sooner or later every man is brought up short by a demoralizing situation that may tempt him to question the existence of God. Should he become bitter toward life in general, he lapses into an actual state of blindness, in that he ignores the innumerable manifestations that are of sufficient magnitude to indicate the existence of a Supreme Engineering Intelligence within and above the entire structure of the universe.

Doubt, in itself, is not necessarily a sin. Rather, it poses a question. However, the very act of questioning places the burden upon the doubter to discover, if he can, a way in which he can honestly fit an all-inclusive answer to a postulated affirmation of doubt.

The honest doubter refuses any conclusion that denies at the very outset everything that lies outside of his mood of impending despair. Rather, he girds himself for the trying test of a thorough quest, which he knows will lead him into realms that he has never before transversed. He analyzes everything subjectively and objectively, in order that he may become fully aware of the true perspective. He notes all co-related and inter-related aspects of the universe, both visible and invisible, and carefully scrutinizes all of the evidence, either pro or con, that he gathers from the galaxy of galaxies to the lowly muon of the atom. He is attentive, not only in making honest observations and deductions pertaining to the miraculous complexity of his own body, but also in defining the magnitude of his own potential, especially in the light of what an existing God could do with a man such as he.

The honest doubter does not necessarily have to start from scratch in that he has access to innumerable Biblical clues. For encouragement, he needs only to remember Christ's re-affirmation of the Divine law of intelligence: "Seek and ye shall find."

The sensational surprise that an honest doubter finally discovers at the end of his search is: During the entire time that he was making his vigorous quest, God was always there close beside him, trying very patiently to get through to him.

—CHAPLAIN ROBERT H. VITZ

Navy News Roundup

HEARINGS BEGIN ON BILL FOR MORE HOSPITAL BEDS—The Veterans Affairs subcommittee of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee has started hearings on the House-passed bill to provide additional nursing care beds for veterans. The measure, HR 8009, would allow the VA to provide 2000 additional beds for nursing or intermediate-type care in the VA hospital system. This would be above the legal limit of 125,000 beds in the VA hospital system. . . . **DEPENDENT DENTAL CARE FOR '64? NO!**—There will be no government request for dental care for military dependents to the 1964 session of Congress. This appears to be certain after a survey of opinions of decision-making Pentagon officials. Military families were allowed to use dental facilities at military posts until the enactment of the law which provided Medicare. Now only those overseas can get free dental care at military installations. There is no general opposition to the idea of a denticare program, but the point at issue is the timing. . . . **WARRANT OFFICER PLAN WILL CUT E-8, E-9, RATINGS**—If the Settle Board recommendations for revitalizing the Navy's warrant officer structure go into effect, there likely will be fewer enlisted ratings at the E-8 level than there are now, fewer at E-9 than there are at E-8, and possibly more warrant and limited duty officer categories than there are at present. But the WO and LDO categories will still be fewer in number than the revamped enlisted E-8 and E-9 specialties. In other words, the senior enlisted structure would pyramid into the warrant specialties which, in turn, would feed into a smaller number of LDO categories. . . . **SHIPS SLATED FOR MORE HOME PORT DUTY NEXT YEAR**—Navy men can look forward to fewer major exercises and ship visits in favor of more home port time next year. "We are trying to cut down the tempo of operations," a Naval Operations spokesman said, "but we find it hard because we keep on getting more and more commitments." However, he said that the Navy probably will meet the recommendation for more home port time made by the Dillon Board by reducing large exercises and cutting ship visits around the country. Ships home based in the U.S. usually have seven weeks in their home port and six weeks out operating. He indicated the Navy is trying to work it out so a ship will have eight weeks in and five out. . . .



COMMISSIONED—ENSIGN Thomas E. Thomas of Personnel Division was commissioned in the Medical Service Corps last Monday. CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., Acting CO, read the appointing letter and administered the oath of office. His wife, Melva, looked on proudly. The ex-HM1 will depart Oak Knoll on 11 December for OCS, Newport, and the Navy School of Justice, also in Newport. Upon completion of 10 weeks schooling, ENS Thomas will journey to NAS Pensacola, Fla., for duty with the Naval School of Aviation Medicine. He has been a Knollite for the past 2 1/2 years, reporting aboard from MAT School, San Diego.



CAPT PAUL W. SUITOR, DC, retired from active duty last Monday after completing nearly 23 years' service. The graduate of Ohio State ('40) had been Oak Knoll's Chief of Dental Service since 1960. His wife Betty (left) was present for the ceremony in Admiral Andrews' office, as were many friends. CAPT Suitor is now in private practice in San Leandro. Taking the Dental helm is CAPT Robert A. Middleton who arrived from Bremerton, Washington.

25 Knollites Bag 96 Pheasants During Annual Amp Bird Shoot

Ninety-six ringneck pheasants accompanied 18 orthopedic patients and six staffers on the return trip from the Annual Amputee Pheasant Hunt, sponsored jointly by the Knights Landing Sportsmens Club and the Robbins Lions Club.

The annual trek got underway at noon last Monday when the crew boarded a Navy bus with former Knoll amputee driver Roy Landreth at the wheel to begin their two days of wing shooting.

Arriving in Knights Landing at 1430, the hunters were greeted by representatives of the Clubs and treated to refreshments. At 1900, the crew boarded the bus for the short drive to Robbins where they were treated to a barbecued chicken and ravioli dinner. During the meal a three-piece combo provided music and continued throughout the evening as sponsoring members introduced themselves to the patients. Also on the program was a barber-shop quartet that serenaded the boys and invited them to sing-along with many old favorite tunes.

In bed at midnight, the hunters slept soundly throughout the night

and were up again at reveille—0600. Returning to Robbins, the anxious marksmen were first treated to hot cakes and bacon and eggs before taking to the fields. To warm up and sharpen their shooting eyes, the sponsors provided an improvised skeet range where the boys got the

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Scuttlebutt

WEDDING BELLS will ring tomorrow for two HNs who met at Oak Knoll a year ago. They are Mary Ann Thompson of Nursing Service and Anthony J. Martin of StaffPers. Mary Ann's family lives in Santa Clara, Tony's in Mountain View. The double ring ceremony is scheduled for 1400 in the chapel, with Chaplain Kempson officiating. Mary Ann's young sister Jeannie will be maid of honor and Terry McCrillis, HN, of ENT will be Tony's best man. The couple will honeymoon in the Carmel area following a family reception in San Jose.

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24 New Preventive Medicine Technicians Join the Fleet



CLASS #38, PREVENTIVE MEDICINE TECHNICIANS, was graduated last Friday, 29 November. Instructors seated, front row, from the left are: HMC Harvey J. Trump, HMCS William E. Cox, HMCS George Schmidt, CHMEDSERWT Harold B. Rice, LCDR William H. Wells, CAPT William K. Lawlor, Head, Preventive Medicine Technician Course; LCDR Ross D. Alexander, HMCS Russell S. Levy, HMCS Bruce Tillman and HMC Don L. Hansen. Students, second row, same order: HM1s Donald D. Bloom, Florian D. Erspamer, William A. Shook, Robert O. Horst, USGC; HMCs Samuel L. Henderson, Adrian N. Glenn, Laurence E. Wallace, HM1s Davis O. Carsh, USCG, Robert J. Finnan, John R. Vass and Leroy J. Kilchrist. Back row, from the left: HM2s Cecil M. Foster, Antonio Garcia, Jed D. Meese, Donald B. Thomas, James C. Snelgroes, HM1s Jack J. Bush, Alfred E. Smith, George F. Liles, HM2s Leo R. Therrien, Ronald C. Ewing, Juan M. Chavez, Patrick L. Baumert and Edward T. Duranty.



GUEST SPEAKER — Dr. Robert C. Cooper of the University of California School of Public Health faculty was guest speaker during graduation exercises of Class #38, Preventive Medicine Technicians, last Friday afternoon in the Dental Auditorium.

Sanitation's Golden Rule

Sanitation is a way of life. It is the quality of living that is expressed in the clean home, the clean farm, the clean business and industry, the clean neighborhood, the clean community.

Being a way of life it must come from within the people; it is nourished by knowledge and grows as an obligation and an ideal in human relations.

Movie Schedule

Tonight, 6 December
TWICE TOLD TALES—Vincent Price, Mari Blanchard.
Saturday, 7 December
CAIRO—George Sanders, Richard Johnson.
Sunday, 8 December
CATTLE KING—Robert Taylor, Joan Crawford.
Monday, 9 December
MADISON AVENUE—Dana Andrews, Eleanor Parker.
Tuesday, 10 December
DUEL OF THE TITANS—Steve Reeves, Gordon Scott.
Wednesday, 11 December
ROAD TO HONG KONG—Bob Hope, Bing Crosby.
Thursday, 12 December
GIGOT—Jackie Gleason, Katherine Koth.
Friday, 13 December
RIFF IN TOKYO—Karl Boehm, Barbara Lass.



HM2 Ronald C. Ewing, honorman of the PMT graduation class with a final average of 90.69, had the honor of cutting the traditional cake celebrating the completion of five months' work in the classrooms and in the field. Following the 1300 graduation exercises, an Open House was held in the PMT School.

Scuttlebutt

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CONGRATULATIONS are in order for three young Navy nurses recently promoted to LTJG — Patricia McDonald, Carolyn F. Dawson, and Annie May Burgess.

DO YOU KNOW that Roger Moor, HM3, of the Bagroom has re-enlisted for six. . . . That LT Mary Rooney, MSC, and LTJG Dave M. Cushway, SC, have transferred to USN. . . . That Robert Colgrove met his wife Kathie when they were both attempting to go through a swinging door (from opposite directions) at an Erie, Pa., hospital? That Mrs. Ross Alexander has her DVM from University of Georgia School of Veterinary Medicine and her MPH in epidemiology from Harvard School of Public Health. . . . That the two items above were borrowed from the O' Wives' FIG LEAF. . . . That Mrs. Hartha Caires, nursing assistant, recently retired for medical reasons and will miss very much her associations at Oak Knoll, where she had worked for the past 12 years. . . . That Roger Jones, HN has received high praise from Captains Semmens and Baker for his procedural manual to guide corpsmen assigned to the labor and pack rooms.

LIFE BEGAN on 11 November for Eric Butler Worthen, 8 lb. 15 oz. son for LT David Worthen (NP Service) and wife Ruth. . . . Also on 11 November for Janice Lynn Murray, 6 lb. 1/2 oz. daughter for HM1 Andrew Murray (Medical Repair) and wife Anne. . . . On 13 November for Douglas Robert Dockhorn, 8 lb. 4 oz. boy for LT Robert Dockhorn (Pediatrics) and wife Beverly. . . . On 25 November for Cheryl Loreen Bechthold, 7 lb. 10 oz. daughter for HM3 Duane Bechthold (Lab School) and wife Patricia. . . . On 26 November for Roberto Jose Santos, 7 lb. 6 oz. son for HM1 Jose Santos (ENT) and wife Aida. And on Thanksgiving Day, 28 November, CDR Marshall Olson (Radiology) and wife Chris were especially thankful to welcome a baby daughter Mary Anne, who weighed 8 lbs. on arrival.



NEW OR TECHS—Graduating Last Friday after six months' on-the-job training in the Knoll operating rooms were eight proud Corpsmen who were presented their certificates of graduation by CAPT Donald W. Robinson, Chief of Surgery, as CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., looked on. From the left, Honorman Donald G. Buzzard, Stephen S. Blakely, David A. Clarke, Reginald King, Vincent T. Esser, Walter A. Everetts, Charles L. McCune and Jerome L. Gonzales. Following the ceremonies cake, coffee and ice cream were served to the guests in 71A.



ASSEMBLED FOR THIS GROUP PHOTO following a very successful morning pheasant hunt in Knights Landing, the beaming Knollites—with their 96 ringnecks—are, from the left, front row: HMCM Bill James, AA Charles Soule, ABC Gene Williams, Roy Landreth, driver; SN Gary E. Cochran, SN Holland F. Cofer, AB1 Lloyd M. Sevits, AT2 Leslie L. Arnett, PFC Larry Austin and ETSN Victor Hansford. Back row, same order: HM1 Cliff Bassett, Dr. Jerold Dihl, Dr. Frank Golbranson, HM3 Jay D. Helm, PFC Michael R. Conkel, YN2 Jerald W. Ueltschi, SK2 George S. Bryan, SN Lawrence L. Jordan, AT2 William Hill, LCPL Frank E. Kenzy, LCPL Benjamin Butler, LCPL Ralph Schroer, GM3 Dallas Moore and HMC Billy R. Smith. Not shown is HMC Bill Striplin, who took this photo.

Hilltoppers Down Mare Island 79-73



HILLTOPPERS Bob Winkler (34) and Bob Pierce (11) go up together to boost a rebound back into the basket for two more points. Oak Knoll met—and defeated—Mare Island on the local court Tuesday night to kick off the 12ND 1963-64 season. Final tally in this game was 79 to 73. Coach Moffett continues to seek new talent for his team to help win the championship title for this hospital.

Fire Chief Sez

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Oak Knoll Fire Department.

To insure a safe Holiday season, the Oak Leaf quotes "Smokey's" Christmas Tree fire safety pledge: I will stand my tree in water and keep the container well filled every day.

I will see that the tree lights have no broken or bare wires or loose sockets. When we go to bed or leave the house, the lights will be turned off.

I will keep anyone with a lighted cigarette or matches away from the tree and not play too close to it myself.

I will see that the tree is taken out of the house by the week after Christmas.

Welcome & Farewell

Oak Knoll has gained seven officers and lost three during the past month.

Reporting aboard were:

CAPT Robert A. Middleton, DC, USN, from USNH, Bremerton, Wash.

LCDR Robert Karger, MC, USNR, from U.S. Naval Station, Subic Bay, P.I.

LT John F. Ambrose, MC, USNR, from inactive duty.

LT Sidney M. Blair, MC, USN, from U.S. Naval Station, Long Beach, Calif.

ENS Kathleen G. Earnhart, and Margaret S. Potter, NC, USNR, both from Naval Schools Command, Nav-Base, Newport, R.I.

ENS Taylor I. Cook, USNR, from Com 1 for clerkship training.

Officers detached were:

CAPT Paul Suitor, DC, USN, to retirement.

LCDR Mary J. Mahoney, NC, USNR, to MARCORBASE, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

LTJG Donna M. Workman, NC, USNR, to inactive duty.

EMs Arriving were:

HM2 Shirley A. Bradford from MSTs, Pacific.

HM3 James M. Rich from NH, San Diego.

HMs William P. Holden and Peter H. Davis from HCS, San Diego. HN Patricia L. Gary from NAS Lee-moore. HN Richard A. Lolley and DN Nancy S. Day from Naval Hospital, San Diego.

HAs Richard W. Parke, Billye F. Gordon, Evelyn K. Pendleton, Thomas M. Wilt, Veston D. Morris, Rufus Young, Richard E. Wilson, Lea C. Galbraith and Michael L. Webb, from HCS, San Diego.

EMs Departing were:

HMC Jesse (Nile) Godfrey to USS STATEN ISLAND.

HM1 Andrew J. Murray to USS MARKAB.

HM2s Charles Quisenberry to Naval Hospital, San Diego, Nellie F. Mosley, home. SD2 Arsenio D. Loran to NAS Alameda.

HM3s Roger L. Moor to Naval Hospital, San Diego, Tadanolu C.



HM3 Gary L. Winter, who served for 30 months on 66A and B, received a letter of appreciation from the CO Wednesday morning.

"Throughout this period," the letter read, "and particularly during your past 20 months as Senior Corpsman, you have demonstrated high moral standards, initiative and ingenuity. Your conduct of classes for ward corpsmen has been most effective, as have your ward management techniques, which have enabled the ward nurse to devote time to direct patient care.

"You frequently remained on duty after hours to orient and assist new corpsmen, in this way also making sure that the high standards of nursing care were maintained. Your outstanding service has earned for you the highest respect of all your associates, including the Ward Medical Officer, who describes you as 'one in a hundred'."

Winter will be discharged Monday and will return to Beatrice, Nebraska, his home town.

Miyahira to USS BONN HOMME RICHARD. Frances K. Toth and MA3 Mary A. Capaldi to home.

HNs James R. Bell, Jr., Jerry D. Graf, Edward C. Moore and Franklin D. Reese to NAS Moffett Field. Adolf Cruz and Charles F. Bab to 3rd Marine Division. Sadye R. Bishon, Charlotte A. Houston, Gene O. Nelson, Joseph A. O'Hara, Darnell F. Sears, Larryie Geissler, William J. McDonald, Paula Jo Williams and Leonard Featherstone, to home.

HAs Jimmy D. Mills and Michael R. Peluso, to home.

Annual Amputee Pheasant Hunt

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feel of the shotguns shooting at the flying discs.

Besides "planting" the pheasants in the rice fields, called "checks," the patients were issued free state hunting licenses and pheasant tags. Members of the Sportsmen's and Lions Club provided their personal shotguns, dogs and jeeps to assist the knollites. Those amps who couldn't walk through the marshland were seated in open jeeps with an able bird dog out in front to locate and "point" the birds.

Of the 120 pheasants "planted," 96 were accounted for by the patients.

"It was truly a wonderful two days," says Marine PFC Larry Austin, "I wouldn't have missed it for the world."

After the shoot, the boys returned to Robbins where other sponsoring members had prepared a hot lunch.

The trip ended successfully as the boys thanked the sponsors for an outstanding example of "people to people."

All hands returned to Oak Knoll at 1630—much happier because of their days in the outdoors.



WHO WOULDN'T SMILE with a brace of ringneck pheasants in their possession after an all-morning shoot! Chief Gene Williams and YN2 Jerald W. Ueltschi (43B) were no exception, during the Annual Amputee Pheasant Hunt to Knights Landing.



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UNITED STATES NAVAL HOSPITAL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Friday, 20 December, 1963

Admiral Andrews Greetings All Hands

All about us today we see and feel expressions of friendship and good will. Carolers sing in the wards and in Gendreau Circle. The Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee has decorated the hospital and will provide gifts and professional entertainment. Red Cross volunteers are planning Christmas Eve festivities. Special chapel services are planned in observance of Christmas. The Food Service staff is preparing our traditional Christmas feast.

On the hilltop overlooking the hospital a lighted cross reminds us all of the message of Peace on Earth. I hope all hands at Oak Knoll—patients and staff—military and civilian—will enjoy together the many blessings of Christmas and that the New Year will bring good health, happiness, and prosperity to you and your families near and far.

C. L. ANDREWS
Rear Admiral, MC, USN

Eleven POs OK'd On "Late" List

New petty officers ratings for eleven Knollites were authorized in a recent letter from BuPers, effective 16 January.

The new advancements are the result of the August fleet-wide competitive examinations. The eleven had passed the test, but quota limitations held back the new crows. A "late" list, however, included the following:

To HM2—Donald G. Proctor.

To HM3—Thomas R. Hein, Jackie Higginbotham, Dale S. Johnson, James G. Lafferty, Malcolm D. Scott, Pamela E. Swieszcz, Leo Zakharoff and Galen G. Onizuka.

Also upped were DT3 Kenneth A. Howard of Dental, and George L. Bourg, who has been transferred to Pharmacy School in San Diego.

Eleven Knollites were promoted to Hospitalman (E-3) on 1 December after successfully passing the locally administered examination in the Training division, Bldg. 25.

Sewing on new stripes were Clifford J. Lanterman, John J. Jent, Danny C. Jones, Douglas D. Haverberg, Robert C. Kleiser, Donna E. Green, Phillip A. Dewese, David R. Flaa, Jimmy R. Rogers and M. E. Hutchings, all of Nursing Service, and Gilbert G. Andrews, NP Service.

New Year Dance Set for Knoll EM

A New Year's Eve party has been planned for all Knoll enlisted and their authorized guests for 31 December in the Auditorium, Bldg. 38.

A buffet dinner will be served at 1830 which will include roast turkey, ham, jello salads, club and potato salad, deviled eggs, a sandwich bar with salami, cheese, etc., and the usual relishes.

Dancing to the music of the Bill Catalano orchestra will begin at 2100 and continue until 0100. Favors, hats and noise-makers will be provided for the semiformal dance.

Child care in the Nursery—at no charge for enlisted dependent children—will be available from 1800 until 0100.

The evening is being planned by HM1 Bob Ellis and his Enlisted Recreation Committee.



It was EARL MORAN'S TURN to pose when the staff photographer came around. The young man on the drawing board and above is PFC Richard Fuller; others around the bed are David Sparrow, TMR3(SS), Jeannie Wilson, PFC Michael Cockel, and Clyde McWhorter, AA.

Jeannie Wilson's Hollywood Artists Cheer Patients With Their Talents

Eleven artists from Hollywood painted, sketched, and cartooned their way around Oak Knoll Monday and Tuesday, leaving their work behind them to be enjoyed by the models, their friends, and families.

It was Jeannie Wilson's "Operation Art for the Armed Forces," 1963 edition.

With Jeannie was faithful Johnny Johnson, retired commercial artist, who never misses a trip; Earl Moran, well-known portrait painter and photographer; Mary Foley Benson, scientific illustrator, who interspersed portraits of patients with handsome paintings of clowns; Maurine McCulley, portrait artist; Peter Alvarado, cartoonist and caricaturist; and Lewis Gadai, architectural delineator, fine artist, and draftsman.

Participating in "Operation Art" for the first time was George Coblenz, who did small and lovely oil paintings while the patients watched. Examples of his work hang in the Huntington Museum in Pasadena as well as at Oak Knoll!

Charles Williams and John Ewing were here through special arrangements with Disney Studios. They are the two top animators in "Mary Poppins," now nearing completion.

Another newcomer to the Oak Knoll scene was Larry Lotta, muralist, and background artist for the Los Angeles County Museum.

Chuck Hanna and Hank Barbara, (Continued on page 3)



REGULAR NAVY — LT Mary J. Leonard of Orthopedics was sworn into the Regular Navy by CDR Ruth Cohen, Chief Nurse Tuesday. Miss Leonard, a native of Lima, Ohio, came to Oak Knoll 13 months ago from USNH Yokosuka. She has been a Navy nurse for the past six years and expects to be here for 24 more months.

CHRISTMAS CHAPEL SERVICES CATHOLIC

24 December—Confessions will be heard in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel from 1900 to 2100. The Children's Choir will sing carols at 2330 followed by Midnight Mass.

25 December—Masses will be said at 0830 and 1215.

PROTESTANT

24 December—Christmas Cantata at 2000.

25 December—Protestant Communion Service at 1030.

Last Call to Dads for Kiddies' Tickets

Special Services announces a final call for Oak Knoll Dads to pick up tickets for the annual Staff Children's Christmas Party to be held Monday at 1230 in the Auditorium, Bldg. 38.

Santa, movies, a stage show, and gifts will be available to all in attendance.

One caution, however. No tickets—no gifts from Santa!

Page One Art

LCDR M. E. Aquino, MSC (W), of Occupational Therapy, responding to the Oak Leaf's request, provided the art work which brightens today's edition.

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CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Eternal Father, we rejoice in the wonder and beauty of the blessed season of Christmas, in which the warmth and light of Thy Divine Love for all men is revealed anew in the Holy Child of Bethlehem. May the angelic song of peace be heard throughout the world, as the wondrous star of promise invites again all nations to keep Christmas worthily in the name of the Christ Child, Who humbly made His abode among men in the lowliness of a manger. Amen.

Navy News Roundup

TUITION AID DOLLARS GETTING SCARCE — College doors may soon close to thousands of sailors. Navy tuition aid funds will run out shortly after the first of the year because a large chunk of them was diverted for priority training in an undisclosed activity. This means that Navy men may be forced to dig into their own pockets to pick up the tab for their off-duty college education. Under the law, the Navy pays up to 75% of tuition costs, or a limit of \$13.50 per semester hour . . .

FAMILY PAY "SEPARATION" RULE EASED—The Comptroller General has loosened some rules on payment of family separation allowance. The new ruling, made at the request of the Defense Department's Pay and Allowances Committee, permits payment of the family separation money even if a common household was not maintained in the vicinity of the home port or permanent duty station. The Comptroller General now says the \$30 a month is "authorized if the member maintains a residence or household for his dependents which he likely would share with them during leave or other times his duty might permit, (week ends) whether or not it is located in the home port or station from which he proceeded to the assignment involved." . . .

GED TEST CREDITS TO GET NEW VALUE — The system providing servicemen with college credits by passing a General Educational Development (GED) test is being overhauled. The commission on accreditation for service experience is evaluating all formal schools and USAFI courses at high school and college degree levels throughout the armed forces. Educators have long charged that GED tests leading to college credits do not reflect the current advances in education. Most of them disapprove of awarding semester hours of credit on the basis of passing a GED test . . .

CORPSMEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DUTY WITH SEAL TEAM—The Navy is asking qualified hospital corpsmen to volunteer for Seal Team training. A special need exists for HMs in combined sea, air and land operation. Those selected will receive UDT training at the Underwater Swimmers School at Key West, Fla., and parachute jump training at Fort Benning, Ga. Applicants must be in pay grade E-4, or above, under 31 years of age, and be qualified Medical Deep Sea Diving techs. Corpsmen who don't hold this designation must earn it before they can apply for the Seal program.

Holiday Health Hints

ENJOY the forthcoming holidays to the fullest, at the same time guarding your health. Severe G-I upsets, even serious illness, caused by salmonella infection, have become more common and could spoil your leave. Nearly 2,000 cases have been reported in California alone so far this year. Salmonellae grow profusely in pork, poultry, and eggs. Avoidance of infection by these bacilli may be attained by adherence to a few simple rules.

1. For your eggnogs use only a commercially prepared eggnog mix,

available anywhere during the holiday season, which has been pasteurized. Do not mix your own with raw egg, an excellent source of salmonellae. Eat no raw egg at any time.

2. Wash thoroughly after handling raw poultry, especially turkey. Never use the same utensils to carve and serve cooked fowl which have been used to prepare the raw bird for cooking.

3. Do not preserve cooked turkey or meat at temperatures over 60°F; keep any cooked fowl or meat in the refrigerator.



NEW ENT TECHS—Following six months' on-the-job training, HNs Nathaniel L. Haywood and Gary L. Moore were presented their graduation certificates by CAPT W. S. Baker, Jr., XO. On hand for the ceremony were LCDR Shirley A. Miller, training supervisor, and CAPT Lee Wible, Chief of Service. Haywood was transferred to the USS HAVEN and Moore received orders to the USS FRONTIER.



GIRL SCOUTS OF TROOP 2504, San Leandro, donated 75 tray favors to the Red Cross for distribution to Knoll patients during the Christmas dinner. Selected to make the contribution are (from the left) Mrs. Charles Lambdin, Scout Leader, Sandra Chin, Linda Brinkenhoff, Cheryl Meltzer, Miss Mathews, ARC Director; and Debra Bolduc. The tray favors were assembled during recent Girl Scout troop meetings.

Red Cross Reporter

If the Red Cross Lounge is rather quiet after Christmas we won't be too surprised. After seeing the ward schedule of bingo, caroling, special parties presented by volunteers, we think the patients will be ready for a quiet interlude.

The RC Lounge is open everyday from 1300 until 1700. We are featuring Christmas cookies, shuffleboard, table tennis and other games; TV and coffee call on Saturdays, 0900. The Lounge bulletin board will list featured events.

The Red Cross will feature a girl singer, a folk music group and a tumbling act. We know that the patients will join the Red Cross staff in sending best wishes for a joyous holiday season, with many thanks to the members of the VFW Auxiliaries, the American Legion, the Moose, the Elks, the Musicians' union, the Association of United Surplus Dealers, the Native Daughters, the Navy Wives' Club, the Navy Mothers' Clubs, Girl Scouts, B'nai B'rith, the Fleet Reserve Association Auxiliaries, the Veteran Hospitals' Christmas Committee, the Hollywood Artists, and the many individuals who are helping to make this a happy holiday season.

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The Knoll Red Cross recreation staff hosted a meeting of medical recreation personnel on 4 December in the Red Cross Lounge. Sixty medical recreation workers from 14 VA, state and military hospitals



KNOLLITES Mary Ann Thompson of nursing service and Tony Martin of personnel were united in marriage at 1400 last Saturday in ceremonies performed by Chaplain Farrell W. Kempson. A reception for the young couple was held in San Jose. ENT's Terry McChrill was best man and Mary's sister, Jeannie, was maid of honor. Following a Carmel honeymoon, the Martins returned to their Bancroft apartment.

heard and discussed the implications of new trends in medicine on recreation for geriatric, NP, general surgical, and medical patients.

CDR Raymond H. Watten of Oak Knoll's CIC gave the group a real challenge when he told of metabolic research studies and led a discussion of appropriate leisure time activities.

Your Red Cross Reporter



HERE THEY ARE, from left: Jeannie Wilson, Lewis Gadai, Maurine McCulley, Larry Lotta, Peter Alvarado, Earl Moran, Johnny Johnson, Charles Williams, John Ewing, Mary Foley Benson, and George Coblentz.

Chief Kohler and Jacqueline Going Home for Christmas



Chief Kohler and Jacqueline

"We'll be home for Christmas—I hope," said Chief Storekeeper Ray Kohler as he left Oak Knoll Tuesday for Travis with his five-week-old daughter Jacqueline. They were heading home for Taiwan.

The tiny patient was flown here from the Republic of China after a pediatrician at the Military Advisory Group in Taipei detected a tumor on her kidney.

X-rays taken upon Jacqueline's arrival here confirmed the presence of a tumor, and CDR E. A. Blakey, Chief of Urology, suggested immediate surgery. The tumor was of such a nature that only a portion of it could be removed, and the baby girl was given radiation treatments to "kill" the inoperable part of the tumor.

"Fortunately, in this type of tumor, the younger the patient, the better the chances are that the treatment will be successful," said CDR D. J. Pascoe, Chief of Pediatrics.

Jacqueline's doctors and her father are hopeful that following her treatment at Oak Knoll she will progress like any other child her age.

Chief Kohler—a veteran of 15 years' Naval Service, is from Winsted, Minn., as is the baby's mother Joyce, who remained in Taiwan with their three other children—Charles 6, Katherine 4, and Jonathan 2.

Aliens Must Register

The Immigration and Nationality Act requires all aliens in the United States and its territories to report their addresses to the U. S. Attorney General during January 1964.

Cards with which reports can be made can be obtained at any U. S. post office during January or through this command.



SAFE DRIVER — MM2 Theodore C. Doud was presented a Navy Department Safe Driver's certificate and lapel pin last Friday after two years of daily driving to Bay Area military installations. As driver, pick-up and delivery man for the Operating Services division, Doud has spent 60 percent of his working days on the highway without an accident or without being cited for a moving violation. He has completed his two years' shore duty and has received orders to the USS TRATHEN (DD-530) homeported in Long Beach. He was detached today.

Fair Housing Act Assures Equality

On 20 September 1963 the Rumford Fair Housing Act went into effect, giving the Fair Employment Practices Commission for the State of California the responsibility to enforce the California housing discrimination law. Under the new law discrimination in the sale, rental, lease, or financing of housing is forbidden in about 70 percent of the housing market.

Any military person who is discriminated against in housing accommodations because of race, color, religion, national origin, or ancestry should contact the Fair Employment Practices Commission, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, (phone UNDERhill 1-8700, Ext. 3167) or their legal officer for advice and determination as to whether the act is applicable in their case.

The FEP Commission will assign a trained staff consultant to investigate complaints. Upon a finding of probable cause that a discriminatory practice exists, the Commission will endeavor to eliminate the unlawful practice by conciliation. If this cannot be done the party who discriminated can be required to sell or rent the housing or pay damages to the aggrieved party of up to \$500.



It isn't every day that a 17-year-old dependent has his portrait painted by a professional—but it happened to Bruce Sillers when Jeannie Wilson (center) brought her group of artists here from Hollywood this week. Not only that, while Maurine McCulley (right) was hard at work, Bruce's whole family was on hand to watch. They are CDR and Mrs. C. B. Sillers and son Dave from NAS, Alameda. The model whose sitting was interrupted for photographic purposes is Frank Boscia, GMG3. The other patient is Huey Thomas, CTSN.



ABOVE at left, Peter J. Stephano, PR3, stands back for a good look at himself (as sketched by Lewis Gadai, right). The two heads on the pillow both belong to SGT Robert Brinkley. Below—the model was D. T. Dumo, SD1, Ret., the artist—John Ewing.

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creators of "The Flintstones" and other popular TV cartoon features sent along scores of mounted original cells used in animating their

cartoons.

Arrangements for the artists' visit were made by Oak Knoll and 12ND Special Services, with Red Cross providing Gray Lady guides.

Hilltoppers Undefeated for Three Games in 12ND Basketball Season



OAK KNOLL'S 1963 BASKETBALL TEAM mustered on the local court for this team photo before meeting the visitors from Mare Island. Front row, from the left: Richard A. Lolley, Neil Jenkins, Amos Tingle, Tony Chez, Floyd Troupe, Jim Wooten and Coach Ken Moffett. Back row, same order: Jasper C. McCrea, Bob Pierce, Harv Simkins, Bob Winkler, Art Randall, Jimmy Rogers and Ed Nixon. Jenkins was high man against Mare Island with 34 points, followed by Randall with 18 and Winkler with 14.

Team Hopes to Clinch 1st Place

Oak Knoll's basketball team—the Hilltoppers — have defeated their first three challengers in the 12ND hoop league.

The team led off the season with a clash with Mare Island on the local court. Leading throughout the game, the Hilltoppers checked the Mare Island five during every rally. To the delight of the spectators, both teams fought for the ball during the ending minutes—the Corpsmen, however, retained their snap-oy pace and when time ran out they had their first victory—79 to 73.

The second game was played at Treasure Island. The Hilltoppers came out 11 points ahead of their opposition as the scoreboard lights flashed 39 to 28 for the final tally.

A more decisive victory was against the Naval Weapons team from Concord. For their third win of the season the "Big Green" tallied 74 points to Concord's 58.

A practice game will be held to-night against Moffett Field in Stanford Stadium. Game time is 1730 and all hands are invited to watch their team try for their fourth straight win.

Coming up on 7 January on the local court is a clash with the Coast Guard. And on 9 January, the Hilltoppers will travel to Moffett Field. All games played in the Bldg. 38 Auditorium begin at 2030 following the movie. Away games commence at 1930.

Patient: Every time I drink tea, I get a stabbing pain in my right eye.

Doctor: Try taking the spoon out of your cup first.

Wife: "Don't you think, dear, that a man has more sense after he is married?"

Husband: "Yes, but it's too late then."

Scuttlebutt

ROMANCE NOTES: Not only is LTJG A. J. Belton back from New York and Teheran with his Iranian bride (more about that next issue), romance is bustin' out right here on the compound . . . Pat Greenway, Fiscal & Supply Secretary, is wearing a brand new diamond engagement ring—gift of CAPT Joseph L. Whatley, Head of Thoracic Surgery . . . ENS Sara Bowmer, MSC, biochemist, and LTJG William Null, MSC, of the USS RANGER, slipped away on 6 December to exchange "I do's" in the chapel at Stead Air Force Base near Reno . . . Not new but still unpublished is the romance of LT H. D. Willcuts, MC, and former Navy Nurse Honora Savage, who will wed next August. Miss Savage was wearing her ring before she left Oak Knoll and the Navy in September. She is now on duty at St. Joseph's Hospital, San Francisco.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK: A chubby boy (age 8 he said) heading around the circle toward OPD clutching his chart while his mother, turning back toward Navy Exchange, called after him: "Now, you make them take you right away."

LIFE BEGAN on 5 December for Sarah Elizabeth Dadmun, 6 lb., 13 oz. daughter for LT Stewart E. Dadmun (Medical Service) and wife Konnie . . . on 15 December for Leila Sarmiento Andico, 7 lb., 5 oz daughter for Gonzalo Andico, HM2 (Dental Service) and wife Agapita.

OH, THE HARDSHIPS OF AUTO-MATION: A Monroe, Wis., firm writes to say it cannot remove Admiral Hays' name from its mailing list "until some time in February. Right now we are in the midst of our busy season when our business machines are continually processing orders for our many customers. Cleaning our lists . . . will take us until the latter part of February. If you are required to pay additional postage as a result of this, please do let us know as we definitely want to reimburse you," the letter urged politely.

Movie Schedule

Tonight, 20 December
CARRY ON, TEACHER—Kenneth Connors, Joan Sims.

Saturday, 21 December
KID GALAHAD—Elvis Presley, Lola Albright.

Sunday, 22 December
KING SOLOMON'S MINES — Stewart Granger, Deborah Kerr.

Monday, 23 December
PLEASE DON'T EAT THE DAISIES—Doris Day, David Niven.

Tuesday, 24 December
THE STRIPPER — Joanne Woodward, Richard Beymer.

Wednesday, 25 December
MERRY ANDREW — Danny Kaye, Pier Angeli.

Thursday, 26 December
GAY PUR-EE—Voices of Robert Goulet, Judy Garland (a 35 minute cartoon)

Friday, 27 December
KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE—Robert Taylor, Elizabeth Taylor.

Coward—one, who when trouble threatens, thinks with his legs.



HN John S. Humphrey, III, was presented a Letter of Appreciation on 9 December for his outstanding service in the Recovery Room.

The CO's letter read, in part, "In addition to performing your regularly assigned duties in the prescribed manner, you have constantly worked to improve routines and procedures. Your ability to evaluate clinical situations quickly, to assume responsibility when necessary yet recognize your own limitations and seek help when confronted by an unfamiliar situation, have frequently occasioned favorable comments from your superiors. It is their opinion that you have made a significant contribution to the high quality of patient care in a critical area of the hospital."

Humphrey was discharged last Monday and returned to East St. Louis, Ill., where he plans to further his education in the medical field.

A bachelor—a selfish, callous, undeserving man who has cheated some worthy woman out of a divorce.

"It is always wise to keep your words soft and sweet, because you never know when you will have to eat them."



AUXILIARY FIREFIGHTERS—Seven staffers recently completed a six months' training course in fire prevention and techniques to combat the various types of fires that could occur on the Knoll compound. Qualified auxiliary firefighters are, front row, from the left: HN Gerald R. Schneider, HM3 Gail P. Beller, DN Kenneth A. Howard and HN Dennis A. Nuckles. Standing, same order: HM2 James V. Rollins, HN Frank V. Leffman, HM3 James T. Wilrich and their instructor, Captain Byron Harrison.